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A Journal of a Whaling Voyage
in the Ship *Samuel Robertson*
around the world, *N^m* Washburn Master,

Farewell to the Land of my childhood and Youth,
The Land of the bible, religion, and truth,
Thou bright Land of blessings in every form;
I leave thee, and fly to the billows and storm,

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Ye scenes of true happiness, friendship and home,
Through which when a boy, I delighted to roam,
Ye fields of sweet flowers, the woodlaine and heath,
I leave ye to grapple with dangers and death,

at Sea.

Remarks on board of the Ship

Saturday Aug 25th 1849

This day commences with good weather and light breezes from the NW at 8 AM got under weigh with all hands on board and stood out to sea. at 10 AM the wind hauled to SW light. haced the yards and worked out. at 8 PM the Pilot left. and we stood on our course to the SE thinking of those we left behind. so ends

Sunday Aug 26th 1849.

All of this day good weather with moderate breezes from the SW ship steering SE. all hands employed in stowing anchors and chains and clearing up decks. so ends
Lat 40-00 North

Monday Aug 27th 1849

All of this day light breezes from the SW ship steering SE all hands employed in fitting boats and getting whaling gear ready

Tuesday Aug 28th 1849

All of this day good weather with a light breeze from the SE ship heading E by S all hands to work on boats. got through at 4 PM. lowered down all four boats and practiced the crew so ends

Wednesday Aug 29th 1849

This day comes in with strong winds from the SE ship under double reefed topsails. the green hands all sea sick and the Old ones home sick. which is much worse. so ends

Sam, Robertson, W^m Washburn Master

Friday Aug 31st 1849

Yesterday and to day fine weather with light winds from the E ship on the Louthers tack all hands to work on rigging so ends

Saturday Sept 1st 1849

The fore and middle part of this day good weather and moderate breezes from the S W ship working to the S and E all hands to work on the rigging. latter part come in squally to in main to gallant sail and fly jib so ends

Sunday Sept 2nd

All of this day strong gales from the S W ship laying to under close reef main topsail all hands talking and meditating upon the past and future. one sail in sight so ends

Tuesday Sept 3rd

The fore part of this day moderated down. made all sail and steered S by E all hands to work on rigging. latter part saw a ship.

Thursday Sept 13th

Since the last date we had nothing but gales of wind and strong breezes. wind blowing mostly from the East and S E. this day ship under double reefed topsail. latter part saw the Island of Flores one of the Western Isles so ends

Remarks on board of the Ship Sam^t Robertson

Friday Sept 14th 1849

Commences with good weather wind by S ship with all sail out heading in for the Island of Flores. latter part took in sail so ends

Saturday Sept 15th

Commences with good weather made all sail and stood in for the land, at 10 AM got close in, lowered down a boat and pulled in for the town. the Portuguese would not let us land, as we was right from the states they was afraid of the Cholera. boat came on board ship, went round to the Southward of the Island and the boat went in again and there they would not let them land. but the Captain made a bargain with ~~the~~ some of them to bring of some recruits the next night in boats. shipped one man from the beach and the boat come aboard so ends

Sunday Sept 18th 1849

Ship had strong breezes and stood of shore for the last two days. to day good weather ship standing in for the land at 7 AM saw four boats out about 8 miles from the land pulling for the ship. hauled aback for them and they come along side all loaded with potatoes and onions. took them on board and traded for them with cloth. at 4 PM got through and stood away for the Island of Fayal for men so ends

of Fair Haven Wm Washburn Master

Wednesday Sept 18th 1849

All of this day pleasant weather ship steering E N E all hands to work on rigging latter part of the day picked up a large stick of cedar two ships in sight put some letters on board of on to go home

Thursday Sept 20th 1849

all of this day pleasant weather ship steering for Fayal. employes in breaking out water nothing in sight and all hands home sick

Friday Sept 21st

This day pleasant weather and fine breezes from S S E ship on the wind headed to the Eastward, all hands employes on the rigging latter part saw Fayal and St Michaels. so on

Saturday Sept 22nd 1849

The fore part of this day strong breezes from the S ship standing of on Fayal. the Captain went in with a boat after recruits and men they would not let him land. the Consul came of in a boat and found out what the Captain wanted, and went ashore again and sent of two boats load of potatoes and fruit, and five men, at 4 P M got all on board and steered S by W had strong wind from the N W. spoke the Commodore Morris one month out so ends

Remarks on board the ship Sam Robertson on



Sunday
Sept 23rd

Commences with strong breezes from
from the NW ship steering S by W. at 1 P.M.
saw a school of Sperm Whales. lowered down
four boats and went into the school. each
boat got one. got them along side at 1 P.M.
took in sail and got ready for cutting and
set greater watches so ends

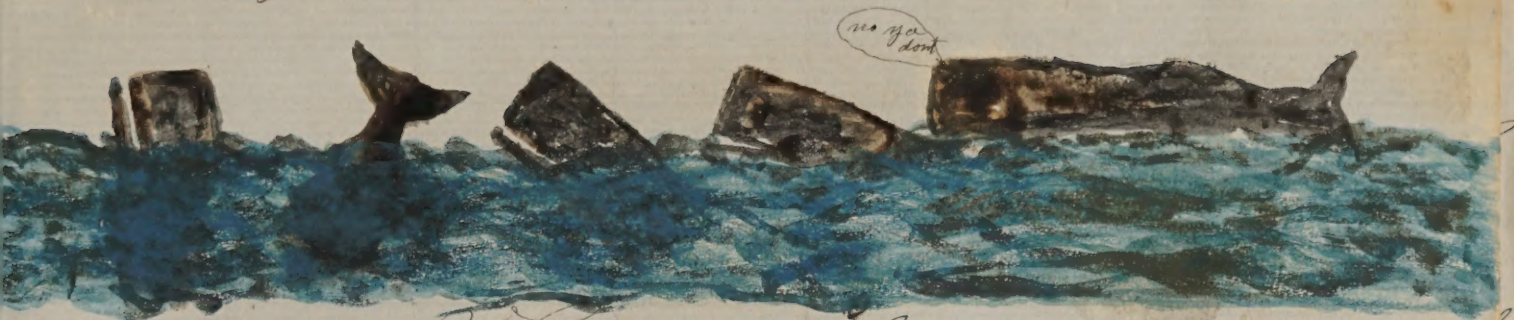
Monday Sept 24th 1847

Continues strong breezes
from the NW called all hands at daylight and
commenced cutting. got through at 11 A.M. and
got dinner and commenced boiling and cutting
up the heads. latter part blowing heavy so ends

Tuesday Sept 25th

The fore part of this day
strong breezes from the NW ship steering S by W
under short sail. employed in boiling and
fitting boats. latter part more moderate
made sail so ends

her passage to the Arctic Sea



Wednesday Sept 26th 1849

The fore part of this day light breeze from the Northward ship steering S under all sail all hands employed in boiling at 4 P.M. lowered down four boats for a school of Sperm whales and chased till sun down did not get on come on board and took in sail commenced blowing hard so ends

Thursday Sept 27th

All of this day heavy gales. got through boiling and chased up decks so ends

Saturday Sept 29th 1849

All of this day light baffling winds, ship steering S.W. the watch employed in sending up royal yard and top gallant studding sail. latter part broke out for stops so ends

Monday Oct 1st 1849

All of this day fine pleasant weather, struck into the trades. ship going 6 knots the watch employed in ripping up an old sail one ship in sight so ends the day

Lat 28, 02 North
Long 23. 43. West

Remarks on board of the Ship Sam Robertson.

Thursday Oct 4th 1849

All of this day strong NE trades ship steering SSW the watch employed in rattring down the lower rigging nothing going on of importance since the last date.

Lat 18.49 North

Long 24.33 West

Land }

Friday Oct 5th 1849

Commences with good weather, at daylight the Island of St Antone close aboard. hauled aback the main yard. the Captam took a passenger ashore that we brought from home. latter part the Captain come aboard with two Porteguese the shipper, and a few oranges. brace forward and stood on our course

Saturday Oct 6th 1849

The fore part of this day strong trades ship steering S by E. the watch employed in rattring down the rigging. midell part quite moderate. latter part the wind hauled to the West. saw the Bark Aloyee of Boston first out sent a boat aboard and got some papers

Sunday Oct 7th

This day strong breezes from the NE ship steering S. employes in reading papers. and talking about home. when that well known cry of There the Blows. started new life into every one. sail was taken in. and preperations made for a chase. every body was all excitement. the very casks on deck seemed to dance when all at once the Captain from aloft said they was hump backs, as them kind of whale was no good to us we made sail and stood on our cours

Lat 13.04 N

on her passage to the Arctic Sea

Monday Oct 8th 1849

The fore part of this day moderate breezes from the N.E. ship steering S. all hands employed in breaking out between decks, and stowing oil. Latter part the wind hauled to the S with signals of rain steering S by E, one sail in sight

Lat 10, 55 North

Tuesday Oct 9th

Commences with strong winds from the S with heavy signals of wind and rain. split the fore topsail, sent it down and sent up another. latter part more moderate broke out meat and butter. 7 sails in sight

Lat 9-37 North

Wednesday Oct 10th

Commences with strong signals of wind and rain from the E, during the night all hands was alarmed by the approach of a very large ^{ship} which come very near running us down middle part of the day winds light. the watch to work on the rigging. latter part calm. gamet with the ship Jefferson of N London. at number of ships in sight. catches a porpoise so ends

Lat 8, 50 North

Saturday Oct 13th

All of this day light airs from the S.E. the watch employed in lashing spars and bending main topmast staysail. and breaking out for water. a number of ships in sight. had nothing but light airs and calms since last date.

Lat 6, 58 North

Remarks on board of the Ship Samuel

Sunday Oct 14th 1849

Commences with light
airs from the S.E. at daylight found us
handy to a ship which proved to be the South
America of Providence bound to California
after breakfast lowered a boat and boarded her
and when I landed on decks I thought Providence
took a vomit. for there were young and old rich
and poor all bound to seek there fortune
she had about 150 passengers all seemed to be
quite merry and contented, about half I was
acquainted with, and while I was talking with them
about home and other things. I really thought I was
there, till the Captain sung out man the boat
and that turned the topic. they presented
me with a number of books. and we left them
wishing them a speedy passage and a fortune
latter part of the day saw a school of black
fish, lowered and chased did not get on. so ends
calm

Lat 5. 52 north

Saturday Oct 20th 1849

Nothing going on of importance
since last date had it calm most of the time
with a plenty of rain. and we have had
considerable company around us to see it out
most of the time 14 ships in sight, to day it
commenced with light breezes from the S.E. middle
and latter part blowed strong from the E ship
going at the rate of 7 knots per hour, exchanged
signals with a large English ship bound to the N.W.
the watch employed to work on the rigging. and heaving
out head so ends

Lat 3. 07 North

Robertson. bound on a Whaling Voyage

Sunday Oct 21st 1849

Continues with strong breezes from the S.E. ship heading S. going at the rate of 7 knots per hour. raised a ship right astern at daylight. at 12 M she passed us, and that is the first ship that has beat us this voyage, all hands keeping the Sabbath, so ends

Lat 1. 41 North

Monday Oct 22nd

Strong breezes from the S.E. ship on the Southern tack. the the watch employed in various duties. painted the L boat. latter part more moderate expect Old Neptune on board before morning to shave some of our boys. Lat 00, 14 North

Tuesday Oct 23rd

All of this day strong breezes from the S.E. ship on the Southern going at the rate of 6 knots, considerable sport going on among the green ones trying to find out who Old Neptune was. we had light wind most of the night which was quite favorable to the old sea dog. about midnight as the watch was coming on deck. the old fellow hailed us from the lee bow. and by the time we got the main yard aback the old fellow was aboard with his barber. he made some enquiries concerning our voyage, and wanted to know how many of his boys we had on board. as they was very desirous of seeing the old gentleman. they all come up and shook hand with him. he talked to them some about sea life. and give them good advice and told them to become good sailors. they must be shaved. as he had a barber with him all he should do was look on and see that it was well done

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Tuesday Oct 23^d 1849

So he called them out one at the time to go through the operations. it took some time to go through with it, for our materials were of the poorest stuff. the latter was composed of tar, slush and sand. a good stiff paint brush for a latter brush and a long peice of iron hoop for a razor, after they went through the trial of shaving, they was thrown in a large tub of water, as it was thought a much quicker way to wash them, some of the boys that was a little obstropolous, he had them shampooed & and their hair dressed with a scrub brush after the ceremony was over, the old fellow called for something to drink. give his boys a little more advice. and told them they was initiated as sailors, and could go to any part of the world without being molested. we hauled aback the main yard and the old Sea King took his departure over the stern. wishing us all a pleasant voyage and good luck, to day employed in painting the W boat. all the green ones, cursing old Neptune barber, because the latter was poor. and it comes of hard. so ends the scene

Lat 2, 00 South
Wednesday Oct 24

Strong breezes from the S.E ship steering S.S.W going 7 knots, the watch employed in knotting yarns and painting the bow boat. and hoke out for meat. latter part saw white water and a fin back. so ends

Lat 4, 33 South

Ship Sam^l Robertson of Fair Haven, Mass
Saturday Oct 27th 1849

Most of this day strong breezes
from the S E ship steering S E with all sail out
the watch employed in repairing the fly jib,
pickling onions and painting buckets so ends the day
Lat 12, 36 South

Tuesday Oct 30th

Land Commences with strong breezes from
the E S E ship steering S going 8 knots, broke
out the main hatches and corked the blubber room
planks, the Carpenter employed in repairing the
gun carriages, myself busy as usual. latter part
of the day saw the Island of Trinidad distance
20 miles bearing S E coming on squally so ends
Lat 19, 26 South

Saturday Nov 3rd

Commences with moderate
breezes from the N ship steering S E with every
thing out, the watch employed in breaking out
water and setting up rigging, myself making bungs
latter part the wind light. saw a ship steering to
the Southward so ends Lat 28, 18 South

Monday Nov 5th

The fore part of this day moderate
breezes from the N E ship steering S E by S. spoke
the ship Formosa of N B. the Captain went on board
and spent the day. middle part wind light with
a shower of rain. latter part of the day cloudy
all hands well, and enjoying themselves with songs
and laughter, with a touch of the cat gut so ends
Lat 31, 31 South
Long 19, 10 West

Remarks on board of the Ship Samuel

Tuesday Nov 6th 1849

All of this day moderate breezes from the ESE with cloudy weather ship steering SE by S with all sail out. the Captain of the Formosa come on board and spent the day. latter part saw a fin back sound No Obs

Wednesday Nov 7th

Commences with strong breezes from the Eastward, ship steering SE by S with all sail out. in company with the ship Formosa, saw two fin backs and a bark sound
Lat 34. 48 South

Land Thursday Nov 8th

Strong breezes from the NE ship steering SE by S with all sail out. three ship in sight standing to the Southward, at 12 AM saw the Island of Tristan De Acuna bearing SE, stood for it and come up with it at 2 PM tacked ship, and stood off and took in light sails, at 4 PM tacked ship and stood in and run round to the leeward of the Island, doubled reefed to topsails and luffed to the wind heading to the Eastward sound
Lat 36. 56 South

Friday Nov 9th

Continues strong breezes from the NE, at daylight kept of SE and made all sail, weather thick and hazy, saw fin backs and porpoises, myself employed in making bungs. latter part more moderate. caught a porpoise

Robertson bound on a Whaling Voyage

Saturday Nov 10th 1849

The fore and middle part of this day strong breezes from the N.E. ship heading E.S.E. the watch employed in repairing the Fly Jib saw a number of fin backs. latter part wind light. the Cabin gang having a bit of a time.

of the best of cake and Port wine. so ends

Lat 37.26 S, Long 6.04 West

Sunday 12th

All of this day light airs from the E.S.E. ship on the Lanthorn tack, saw a plenty of fin backs. the watch employed in repairing the fore topsail latter part spoke an English bark bound to the Isle of France. the Captain went on board and took tea so on

Lat 38.04 S Long 02.00 West

Tuesday Nov 13th

All of this day light airs from the S.E. the watch employed in repairing the fore topsail, saw a plenty of fin backs, four sails in sight so ends

Lat 38.46 S. Long 00.26 West



Wednesday Nov 14th

All of this day light winds from the S. ship steering E by S. at daylight saw eight whales. lowered four boats and chased did not get on. come aboard and got breakfast lowered and chased again but without success come on board and kept the ship her course one sail in sight so ends

No Obs

The good Ship Sam Robertson, beginning

Friday Nov 16th 1849

The fore part of this day calm, the watch employed in making oil lashings. middle part light airs spring up from the NW ship steering S E by E. one sail in sight. latter part the captain shooting his pistols to a mark. so the Day winds up by some lively tunes on the violins,

Lat 36.44. S Long. 3, 26 East

Saturday Nov 17th

The fore and middle part of this day calm, the watch employed in repairing the fore topsail and Mizzen top gallant sail. latter part had a light breeze from the NW ship steering S E by E. one sail in sight, Lat 36. 50

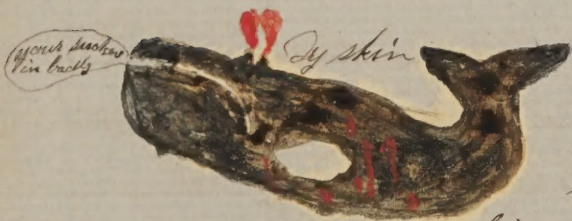
Sunday Nov 18th



Commences with light winds from the NW ship steering S E by E. middle part wind hauled to the SE, at 4 P.M. saw a right whale. lowered the boats and chased him awhile did not get on come aboard and stove on our course

Lat 36. 50

Monday Nov 19th



By skin

Commences with imoderate breezes from the NW ship steering S E. saw whales. lowered and chased, did not get on, at 1 P.M. saw whales again. lowered and the Waist boat struck and killed. got him along side and commenced cutting. got through at 6 P.M. doubled reefed the topsails. and set quarter watches, so ends a plenty of whales in sight

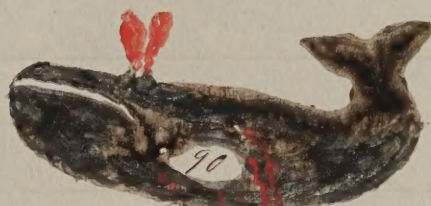
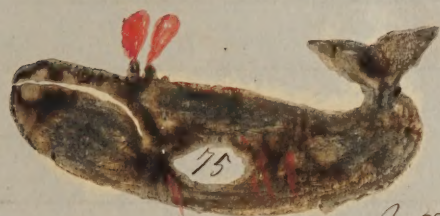
No Obs

to find out where the whales are

Tuesday Nov 20th 1849



Commences with light breezes from the SW
called all hands at daylight and made sail
raised whales of the weather beam going quick to
the windward, the watch employed in cutting up blubber
latter part calm Lat 37, 16 S, Long 6. 40 E



Wednesday Nov 21st

Commences with moderate breezes from the NE
saw whales at daylight, called all hands and lowered
four boats. the bow boat struck and got him. took
him along side and commenced cutting. while we
was cutting saw more whales. lowered two boats. the
W boat struck and got him. took him along side
and commenced cutting. got through got through at 7 P.M.
got supper and had a glass of grog all round and set
the watch. commenced raining. so ends



Thursday Nov 22nd

Commences with fine weather and
light wind from the NE. started the works
at 1 A.M. all hands employed in breaking
out for water. latter part of the day saw
whales. lowered three boats and chased. did
not get on, come aboard and got supper. and
shortened sail. and set the watch so ends

Lat 37. 37 South

Bermarks on board of the Ship Samuel
Friday Nov 23rd 1847

The fore part of this day light airs from the
N.E. ship cruising for whales. employed in
boiling. latter part calm. shortened sail and
set the watch so end

Saturday Nov 24th

The fore part of this day light
airs from the N.W ship cruising. the watch
employed in boiling. middle part had a shower
of rain. latter part of the day strong breeze. kept
of E.S.E and put on everything, one sail in sight
so ends another week

Sunday Nov 25th

Commences with strong winds from the N.W
ship steering E.S.E. the watch employed in
boiling. one ship in sight. middle part come
in thick and rainy. at 2 P.M. got through boiling
latter part wind hauled to the North with heavy
rain so ends the Sabbath. and a very disagreeable one to

Monday Nov 26th

Commences with strong breezes from the
West with showers of rain. ship steering
S.E. by E. all hands employed in stowing down
oil. latter part of the day more pleasant
wind hauled to the S.W. blowing strong so ends

Lat 38.17 S Long 16.20 E

Tuesday Nov 27th

Commences with strong winds from the N.W ship steering
S.E. by E. all hands employed in stowing down oil. middle
part quite moderate. got through stowing and went to
work scraping bone. latter part calm. the Captain
amusing himself shooting gories. Lat 38.14. Long 17.12 E

Robertson. ² Wm Washburn, Master.

Wednesday Nov 28th 1849

Light winds from the S.E. the watch employed in
cleaning ship and drying bone. middle part calm
two men. one a Portuguese and the other an Englishman
got to fighting in the fore-castle, as it was rather a poor
place to see fair play done. the Captain called them aft
on the quarter deck, and had their thumbs tied together, and
give ~~each~~ each one a piece of rattling stuff, and told them
to go at it and get satisfaction. the Captain he stood by
with a peice. and when they got tired he give them
a spell, after he thought they had enough, he had them
cut adrift and sent them forward cautioning them not
to get catched again. latter part light airs from the E
Lat 37. 14 South

Thursday Nov 29th

The fore part of this day light airs from the N.E.
ship steering E.S.E. middle part wind hauled to
the N.W. set the studding sails. latter part saw
hump backs. banded the bone and weighed it
and stowed it below. 1158 lb so ends

Lat 37. 25 S Long 19. 42 East

Friday Nov 30th

Commences with strong breezes
from the W ship steering S.E. by E with all sail
out going 8 knots per hour. the watch employed
in making broom teeth. five men kept on deck
to learn the rigging and compass. my self fitting
spades. latter part of the day strong squalls
with rain so ends

Lat 37. 46 South
Long 22. 56. East

Remarks on board of the Ship Lam^t

Monday Dec 3rd 1849

All of this Day strong breeze from the West. with a heavy sea running. beam blowing strong since last Date ship steering S E going 10 knots per hour. saw a large school of black fish playing round the ship. latter part wind hauled to S W. Lat 38.32. S. Long 35.16 E

Tuesday Dec. 4th

The fore part of this Day moderate winds from the S W with a heavy swell on. ship steering S E. the watch employed in breaking out the after hatch and stowing down foreward to trim ship. rigged a blacksmith forge. and the Captain employed in moulding bullets. latter part wind light

Lat 38.45 Long 38.45 E

Saturday Dec 8th

The fore part of this Day strong winds from the N. ship going 10 knots steering S E by E 1/2 E middle part more moderate saw a school of black fish. lowered and struck 12. saved four. took them along side and hove them in. and stood on our course. latter part ship going 6 knots. so end. Lat 39.29. S. Long 50.39 E

Sunday Dec 9th

The fore part of this Day strong winds from the S with rain. ship steering S E by E 1/2 E. middle part cleared of. and commenced boiling out black fish. myself fitting barrels. latter part weather moderate. got through boiling and set the mainsail. tacked up cobs. so ends the Sabbath

Lat 39.40 South

Long 53.19. East

Robertson. bound around the Cape of Good Hope
Monday Dec 10th 1849

Commences with light winds from the S E with rain. the Carpenter and myself employed building a hospital down the after hatch for the sick. middle part strong breeze took in top gallant sails and reefed the fore and mizen topsails. latter part cleared of quite moderate wind hauled to the S W. made all sail and steered S E by E 4 E so end. No Observation

Tuesday Dec 11th

The fore and middle part of this day strong gales from the W. ship under double reefed fore and main topsails steering S E by E. latter part more moderate made sail so end, Lat 38.44, Long 60.13 East

Thursday Dec 13th



Moderate breezes from the N. ship under all sail steering E S E going at the rate of 9 knots per hour. saw a plenty of fin backs latter part saw bright whales. lowered and chased did not get on. come on board and shortened sail and luffed to the wind Lat 38.42, Long 68.09



Friday Dec 14th

Commences with strong breezes from the N. at daylight kept the ship of E by S and made sail. saw a bark steering to the Eastward at 12 M saw 3 whales. lowered all four boats and chased. the S boat struck one and the bow boat struck one. the S boat drewed from theirs. and the bow boat held on and killed. at 1 PM got him along side and commenced cutting. at 6 PM got through. set whole topsail and steered E by S. ship Newton of Boston passed us steering to the Eastward
Lat 38.13. Long 68.48. East

Remarks on board of the Ship *Tam.*
Saturday Dec 15th 1849

The fore part of this day moderate breezes from the N. Ship steering E S E set top gallant sails and commenced boiling. middle and latter part wind light. the Captain shot a musket ball into a fin back. Lat 37. 40. Long 73. 00 East

Sunday Dec 16th

All of this day light winds from the S. ship steering S E by E. got through boiling at 11 o'clock and cleared up decks. a number of fin backs in sight. so ends Lat 37. 42. S, Long 75. 58. East

Monday Dec 17th

Land } The fore part of this day light winds from the N. at 3 AM saw the Island of Amsterdam bearing S E 1/2 E at 7 AM got hoody to it. lowered all four boats and pulled in shore for the purpose of fishing. at sun down calmed all the boats come aboard. got aboard about 1000 scale fish of different kind. and 5000 craw fish. the employes in clearing them. so ends

Tuesday 18th

Commences with light winds from the E the watch employes in boiling craw fish and pickling them. middle part rainy. broke out flour and molasses. latter part strong breeze. took in fore and mizen top gallant sail. so ends with a head wind and rainy weather. No Obs

Robertson bound across the Indian Ocean

Wednesday Dec 19th 1849

The fore part of this day strong breezes from the S E with rain, middle part increased to a gale put her under close reefed main topsail and foresail latter part the same. so ends with a very disagreeable day

Thursday Dec 20th

The fore part of this day wind hauled to the NW blowing heavy, with a bad sea on. ship steering E under double reefed main topsail and foresail. an unlucky sea came and took the bow boat of the cranes and broke the bow davit. luffed the ship to the wind and hoisted her in board. doing considerable damage to her latter part had rain squalls. blowing strong. so ends

Lat 31. 25 South

Saturday Dec 22nd

Yesterday and to day had heavy gales from the W and S W. ship steering E under double reefed fore and main topsails and foresail. a heavy sea running at 12 M have to under close reefed main topsail and main spencers. latter part wind the same

Lat 34. 45. Long 88. 00 E

Sunday Dec 23rd

First part of the day strong winds from the S S E set double reefed topsails and foresail and steering E by S. the carpenter employed in repairing the bow boat. middle part more moderate set the jib and mainsail. latter put on whole main topsail. weather moderating fast. so ends the Sabbath Lat 34. 27 South

Long 89. 15 East

Remarks on board of the Ship Samuel
Monday Dec 24th 1849

Commences with moderate breezes from the S
with cloudy weather. ship steering E by S all
hands employed in stowing down oil and
repairing bow boat. latter part got through stowing
down. ship steering E S E with all sail out

Tuesday Dec 25th 1849, Christmas,

all of this day light breezes from the S E. the
the watch employed in scraping bone. got the
bow boat on the cranes. and fitted a new
one, dined of beans and corn and a large plum
pudding. for supper had lobsters and other ects. so
much for being Christmas day. a plenty of fin backs
in sight, so end a merry Christmas. Lat 33. 48 S
Long 93. 25 East

Thursday Dec 27th

all of this day pleasant weather and fine
breezes from the S W ship steering E. the
watch employed in repairing the fly jib. so end.
Lat. 33. 21. Long 99. 05

Friday Dec 28. 1849

All of this day light wind from the S E
myself employed in making a beer keg. nothing
else going on of importance.

Saturday Dec 29th

The fore part of this day light airs from the
S E. the watch employed in repairing the
mainsail. middle and latter part calm, got
the mainsail done and bern it. latter part
the crew in swimming. and having considerable
sport among themselves, so end Lat 32. 25 S
Long 102. 35 East

Robertson ^{John} Washburn Master

Sunday Dec 30th 1849

Commences with light airs from the West. ship steering E. the crew employed transporting an army of lice. middle part took every thing out of the forecastle. and succeeded in raising an army of about 600 stout able bodied striped backs. and commenced drilling them with scrub brooms and hot water. latter part a strong breeze ship steering E by N. got through drilling and supplied the army with ammunition. and sent them off under the command of a large cockroach to guard old Jany Jones locker so end the last Sabbath in this year

Lat 32.19. Long 104.08. East

Monday Dec 31st

All of this day pleasant with fine breezes from S.E. ship steering N.E. by E going 9 knots. the watch employed repairing the gibe and working on the rigging myself making boat kegs and buckets. latter wind the same. so end the year 1849. Lat 31.04. Long 107.20 East

Tuesday Jan 1st 1850

The new year comes in with strong winds from the S.E. ship steering N.E. by E going 10 knots. the Carpenter making a binicle. latter part blowed on strong took in top gallant sails and reefed the mizen topsail. so end. Lat 28.06. Long 109.08

Friday Jan 4th 1850

Nothing going on of any importance since last date. to day fine weather and light winds from the S.E. ship steering N.E. the watch employed in fitting and tarring down rigging middle and latter part the same. for the last two days had strong breezes and hazy weather

Lat 20.14 South

Long 113.13 East

The Ship Sam^t Robertson bound
Saturday Jan 5th 1850

All of this day pleasant weather and moderate
breezes from SSW ship steering NE all hand
employed in fitting and tarring rigging so ends

Lat 18.24 S. Long 114.40 East

Monday Jan 7th 1850

All of this day light airs from the West ship
steering NE by N all hand employed in fitting
and tarring rigging. broke out the main hatch
and took the water butt on deck and repaired it

Lat 14.51. S. Long 117.16 East

Tuesday Jan 8th

The fore part of this day light airs from the SW
ship steering NE by E & E. employed in washing
ship out side and painting the bare spots inside
and the boats. repacked 2 casks of fish and broke
out for molasses. latter part calm. Lat 13.14 S

Long 118.00 East

Wednesday Jan 9th

Commences with light wind from the
SW. steering NE by E under all sail. employed
in drying bone. and making a side ladder
and painting. and doing other small jobs. latter
part a thunder squall come up from the
West with a heavy shower of rain. took in
studding sails and top gallant sails and
hauler up the courses. and run under whole
topsails. saw Sandal wood Island bearing
NE distance 10 leagues so ends

Lat 11.45 South, Long 119.37 East

To the Island of Timour

Thursday Jan 10th 1850

Commences with moderate breezes from the W ship under all sail steering N E Laridal Wood Island in sight bearing N distant 3 leagues, middle part passed new Island and bonjoar Island, latter part running down by Luva Island steering E by N. got up the cables and bend on to the anchors. took in light sail and hauled up the courses and run under topsails Timours Island bearing E by N distant 18 leagues. so end.

Friday Jan 11th

Commences with pleasant breezes from the N ship. heeled to the wind at 3 A.M. with main yard aback. at daylight saw Timours Island bearing N E made all sail and run for it. middle part heavy thunder showers. latter part the same. saw the town of Capang bearing E and stood for it wind light. at 7 P.M. wind died to a calm, ship about 6 miles from anchorage. hove four boats and towed in to 23 fathoms of water and let go mud hook. at 10 P.M. furled the sails. and boat steerers took the watches. so end

Saturday Jan 12th

Called all hands at daylight and hove up the anchor and set the topsails and stood in shore and dropt anchor. had a heavy shower of rain. middle part broke out cask and sent a raft ashore for water. the Ship Aeronaut of Mysie come in to anchor, no ~~other~~ other vessel here. the Captain went on board of the Aeronaut, and from there went ashore with the other skipper. Capang is a small town with about 6000 inhabitants under Dutch Government. inhabitent mostly Malays and Chinamen and a few Dutch mostly soldiers so end

The Ship Sam^t Robertson laying at
Sunday Jan 13th 1850

All of this day strong westerly winds. the
S. Watch went ashore on liberty. at come aboard
quite merry. so ends

Monday Jan 14th 1850

Moderate breezes from the NW called all hands at
4 AM and sent a raft of 14 casks ashore and filled
them. crew come aboard to breakfast. after breakfast
broke out for hams and Calicoes, at 10 AM sent in
three boats to tow of the water. before they got
aboard, the raft broke adrift and four casks went ashore
after dinner weighed anchor and got under weigh with
Pilot. and went about four miles from the town in
a small bay that broke the NW wind. the Aeronaut
in company. so ends

Tuesday Jan 15th

Called all hands at daylight. light winds from the NW
the L. Watch gone ashore on liberty. then aboard employed
in stowing down water. got aboard 12 pigs and a few animals
and some Monkeys. recruits very scarce. so ends

~~Wednesday~~ Jan 16th

Called all hands at daylight and washed decks. the
L. Watch got aboard at 8 AM. and the S. Watch went ashore
broke out for meat and sent a raft ashore and filled it and got
it aboard and stowed it down. so ends

Thursday Jan 17th

Called all hands at daylight and sent four casks
ashore for water. the S. Watch come on board and the
Larboan Watch all went ashore gunning. latter part
come on board with no game. and sore feet and
lame arms. so ends

Anchor in Copang. At the Island of Timour
Friday Jan 19th 1850

The fore part of this Day the Captain come on board in company with the Governor and about a dozen more of the Dutch gentry, and got breakfast. after breakfast got three boats and started of for Deer Island with about half of the crew. distance 12 miles. all hands armed and equipped for the purpose of shooting Deer. got down there saw three Deer did not get a shot. the most of them enjoyed themselves by drinking and shooting at marks, at 3 P.M. got aboard and took something stimulating and started for the town.

Saturday Jan 20th

The fore part of this Day rainy. the L. watch went up to town on liberty. the watch aboard got of a raft of water. and cut a couple of sticks for anchor stocks

Sunday Jan 21st

Called all hands at Daylight and washed of the watch got aboard at 8 A.M. all sober. broke out flour and other ship stores for one of the gentry. middle part had a squall of wind and rain and parted our Larboard chain. let go the S anchor. got a warp to the Resonant and payed out chain and hauled up to our old place. latter part sent a boat up to town for the Captain so ends

Monday Jan 22nd

Called all hands at Daylight and commenced heaving up our Larboard anchor by the buoy rope, at 10 A.M. got it to the cat head. at 2 P.M. the Captain come on board got the ship under weigh with a fine breeze from the N.W. at 4 P.M. took our departure from Copang steering N by E. all hands employed in get anchors on the bows and washing decks. set the topmast and top gallant studding sails. so ends

The Ship Sam^t Robertson, bound through
Tuesday Jan 22nd 1850

All of this day light winds from the W ship steering
N E by E going through the Straits of Timour. the watch
employed in repairing the main royal and sending
it up. set the lower studding sail. the land in
sight on both sides of us so ends

Wednesday Jan 23rd



The fore part of this day light
winds from the WNW, passed out
of the straits at 2 AM into the Banda Sea.
at daylight saw a large Sperm Whale close to the
Ship. ~~called~~ called all hands and lowered four
boats and chased two hours. and then give it up
and come aboard. middle and latter part of the
day strong breezes ship steering N so ends

Lat 3. 47 South

Thursday Jan 24th

Commences with strong breezes from the WNW
with squally and rainy weather. ship heading N
latter part split the fore topsail. sent it down and
sent up another, and double reefed it. double reefed
the main topsail. Lat 5. 36 South

Friday Jan 25th

The fore part of this day calm. saw the Island
of Bouru bearing N. middle part strong breeze
from the WNW ship heading N. saw white water
to the windward of us a number of times. a long
way off. saw a Malay Broom. latter part got within
4 leagues of the land wind died away nearly calm
wore ship and stood off shore so ends

Lat 4. 05 South

Timour Straits, 1850,

Saturday Jan 26th 1850

First and middle part of this Day squally, winds variable. latter part wind N ship heading W by S the Island of Boura bearing N by E distance 10 leagues. broke out for flour and Molasses, so ends

Sunday Jan 27th

All of this Day light winds and variables. ship working to the N. saw a school of Black Fish. lowered and chased them out of sight. boats come aboard. the Island of Boura in sight bearing N by E myself employed in stocking an anchor, so ends,

Monday Jan 28th

The fore and middle part of this Day moderate breezes from the NW ship heading East. in for the Island of Boura. latter part strong breeze took in top gallant sail. stood in. within 5 miles of the North point, tacked ship and stood off so ends Lat 3.10 S. Long 125-35 East

Tuesday Jan 29th



The fore part of this Day moderate winds from the E. saw a school of Sperm Whales. lowered at four boats and chased. the Larboard, Waist and bow boat struck. the L. boat and bow boat drawn from theirs, and the Waist boat they held on and killed. took him along side and commenced cutting. one bark in sight so ends

Lat 2.51. South, Long 125.39

The Ship Sam^t Robertson. bound
Wednesday Jan 30th 1850



Commences with light winds
from the North. ship steering ENE
all hands employed in boiling. middle part
saw a school of Sperm Whales. however four boats
and chased. the waist boat struck and killed
and took him along side. at 5 PM commenced
cutting at 7 got his jacket in the blubber room
got supper and set the watch. the 1st mate taken
sick. one sail in sight and the land. Lat 2.37 S

Thursday Jan 31st

All of this day light baffling winds with rain
the watch employed in boiling. the ship in
Pitts passage. the land on both sides. got a new
S. boat on the cranes. the mate very sick
so ends Lat 2.27 S Long 127.27 East

Friday Jan Feb 1st

all of this day light baffling winds. got through
boiling at 6 AM and cleared up decks. all hands
employed in breaking out flour and coffee. watch
went below at 9 o'clock. ship steering ENE going
through Pitts passage. the mate about the same

Lat 2.17 S Long 127.46

Saturday Feb 2nd

All of this day light airs from the Northward
ship steering NE going through Pitts passage
Islands on both sides of us. the weather
hot and sultry. considerable music amongst
the hogs, dogs and monkeys. parrots. hens and
roosters. all in high glee. myself and three others
on the sick list. all down with the fever

Lat 2.11 S Long 128.18 East

through Tampiess Straits
Sunday Feb 3rd 1850

Commences with five kyes from the NW ship.
steering NE by E at daylight saw the Canary Islands bearing
E by S distance 5 miles. at 12 M ship of the E end of the
Island of Popo. saw a school of Black Fish lowered and
chased one hour did not get on, come aboard. kept the ship
of NE at 6 PM ship within 2 leagues of the NW end of the
Island of Batanta. took in top gallant sail and hauled
up the courses. were ship and stood of shore and on
through the night. myself quite. the mate getting better

Lat 1.02 S. Long 129.40 East

Monday Feb 4th 1850

The fore part of this day light winds from the NE
with squalls of rain. at 4 AM stood in to the mouth
of Tampiess Straits. bearing NE by E. at 12 M kept the
ship E by N and put on all drawing sail a number
of canoes came along side with shells to trade. the
latter part of the day wind West. the SE point of the
Island of Waggeco bearing NE by E distance 6 leagues. ship
steering ENE. the nearest part of New Guinea bearing E by S
distance 10 leagues. wind light. myself some better

Tuesday Feb 5th

The fore and middle part of this day calm. at daylight
the SE point of Waggeco bearing NW distance 10 miles
a heavy swell rolling in from the NE the middle
part got drifted well over on the coast of N Guinea
lowered all four boats and commenced towing of
towed till 6 PM a light air sprang up from the NW
called the boats along side. and kept the ship
NE. myself getting better part. the mate well
and on duty

The Ship Sam^t Robertson on her
Wednesday Feb 6th 1850

Calm during the last 8 hours with a heavy swell running in from the N.E. the ship well over on the coast of New Guinea. called all hands at daylight and commenced towing ship of shore. at 7 AM called the men aboard to breakfast. after breakfast. commenced towing again, towe till 10 AM got of about 20 miles called the boats along side. hoke out for meat latter part light airs from the N. myself on duty

Thursday Feb 7th

Light winds during the night. the fore part of the day calm. the land in sight distance 10 leagues middle part a light breeze sprung up from the NW ship on Northern tack. latter part got the anchors on the bows and stowed the cables. ship all clear of the land. entering into the broad Pacific. so end Lat 00.02 South. Long 131.34 E

Friday Feb 8th 1850

The fore part of this day calm. at daylight commence breaking out the main hatches to stow down our last fore of oil. hoke out all the flour and bread. stowed down 30 bbls of sperm oil. middle part light breeze from the NW ship steering N by E lost sight of the land at 2 PM. got through stowing at 6 PM. so end with a fine breeze. Lat 00.15 N. Long 132.23

Saturday Feb 9th

The fore part of this day moderate breezes from the N. ship heading to the East. one man very sick in the forecath. had him taken on deck to be bled. after being on deck one hour his spirit took its flight. he had been sick about one week with the

passage to the Japan Sea, 1850

The fore, middle part calm set up the head stays, at 1 P.M. prepared the Disease for burial, at 4 P.M. had a strong breeze from the N.W. hauled up the courses and hauled aback the main yard, and called all hands aft to witness the burial of the dead. his body was taken to the gangway sewed up in canvass, and laid on a plank. these the funeral services was read by the Captain and after the ceremony his body was launched to the deep there to rest till the sea gives up its dead. hauled forward the main topsail and steered N.E. by E. so on

Lat 1. 41. North, Long 134. 36. East

Sunday Feb 10th

All of this day light wind from the N.W. steering N.E. by E. the 3^d mate was sick, and the Captain was unwell, the latter part caught two dolphins. so ended the Sabbath, Lat 2. 25. N. Long 135. 26 East

Monday Feb 11th

All of this day light airs and variables, saw an English bark, bound to China loaded with rice. the Captain took a boat and went aboard of her and spent the day, Lat 2. 31. North

Thursday Feb 14th

The fore and middle part of this day light airs from the N.W. ship steering N.E. in company with the English bark, the watch employed in repairing the Fore Topsail. latter part a light breeze from the N ship with all drawing sail out. the Cook and a Portuguese was sick they being unwell. so ends

Lat 3. 02. North

Remarks on board Ship Saut Robertson
Sunday Feb 19th 1850

Commences with light airs from the West ship steering N. at 3 AM the ^{wind} die to a calm. our partner the bark of our S. beam about one mile of a heavy swell on heaving us together fast. got within hailing distance. we lowered four boats and towed of about two miles apart. a breeze sprung up from the SW with rain. lasted one hour. latter part a breeze from the S.E. so end. No Observation

Friday Feb 22nd

All of this day strong gales from the NE ship. under close reefed fore and main topsail sent down the mizen topsail and repaired it and sent it up again. took in the bow boat ship steering NW by W. Lat 13. 50. Long 139. 20 East
Sunday Feb 24th

All of this day strong NE trades ship. under double reef topsails, mainsail. and Jib. steering NW by W at 4 PM took in the Jib and kept of W yesterday. had strong gales. shipped a sea and broke the dogs hip bone. knocked her in the head and hove her overboard. so end. Lat 16. 44. N Long 130. 44 E

Land } Wednesday Feb 27th

Commences with moderate breezes from the NE ship steering W by N with all sail out. at 4 PM saw the Island of Batou bearing West distance 7 leagues. put the ship under short sail and pulled to the win on the Southern tack. intending to run in and anchor to mow. saw a ship. and spoke out for meat. so end

Lat 20. 25. N. Long 122. 25 E

bound to the Japan Sea. 1850

Thursday Feb 28th

This day comes in with moderate breezes from the ENE. at daylight kept of West for the Island of Batan and made all sail. all hands employed in getting up chains and getting anchors of the bow. at 2 P M dropt anchor in a small bay on the lee side of the Island in 8 fathoms of water. furled sails and got a raft of casks ready to go ashore. two ships lying here. the Benj. Morgan and the General Williams. so ends

Friday Feb 29th March 1st

The fore part of this day sent a raft ashore and filled it and chained ship outside. got of 2 boats loads of fams. latter part went a gunning so ends

Saturday March 2nd

The fore part of this day got of three boat loads of fams. some hogs and goats. and a few sweet potatoes. and got a raft of casks ashore and filled it middle part the two ships sailed. and the Clements of NE come to anchor. latter part a light breeze from the North looked some like a blow. hove up anchor and hauled of in 20 fathoms and let go anchor again

Sunday March 3rd

called all hands at daylight and sent two boats in after a raft of water. one man absconded got the water aboard. and some fowl and eggs and some Peasants. at 10 AM hove up anchor and got under weigh with the wind to the Eastward. steering NNE bound to the Japan Sea. employed in stowing cables and getting the anchors on the bow. the carpenter building a pigeon house. so ends

Remarks on board of the Ship Samuel
Tuesday March 5th 1850

All of this day light wind from the N.E. ship steering
N.E. by E 46. employed in various duties and getting
ready for whaling so ends. the 2^d mate sick and was bled

Lat 23.19. Long 125.20 East
Wednesday March 6th

The fore part of this day strong breeze from the
N. ship heading E.N.E. at daylight double reefed the
topsails. middle part more moderate. made sail
saw two ships. latter part opened the Shop chest
and made a sale of some wearing apparel. sold
somethings at auction that our run away left
so ends

Lat 23.32. N. Long 126 East
Thursday March 7th

The fore part of this day light baffling wind the ship
working to the Northen. the watch employed in making
a tarpolan for the try works. and fitting the windlass
middle and latter part strong breeze from the North
ship on the Eastern tack. doubled reefed topsails and
killed a Hog and got a few more left of the same sort

Lat 24.25. N. Long 126.28

Sunday March 10th

The fore part of this day wind light from the
N.E. ship on the Northern tack. one ship in sight
middle part the weather thickened and commenced
blowing. called all hands and shortened sail. put
her under close reefed topsails and reefed foresail
and wore ship the wind hauled to the North
latter part strong gales with thick rainy weather
Mr Allen quite sick. so ends

No Observation

Robertson bound to the Japan Sea

Tuesday March 12th 1850

The fore part of this day light winds from the NE made all sail at daylight, ship heading to the North two ships in sight, the latter part calm. Mr Allen about the same, supposed to have the consumption. sound

Lat 24.32. N

Wednesday March 13th

During the night and fore part of this day fine breeze from the SE ship steering NW with all sail out saw a gam of Hump Backs. middle part wind hauled to the SW blowing quite strong weather looking cloudy latter part wind hauled to the North. blowing heavy. shortened sail sound Lat 25.20 N Long 126.28 East.

Thursday March 14th

The fore part of this day strong breeze from the N. shook the reefs out of the topsails and set the Jib and mainsail. ship heading NW middle part more moderate set the main top gallant gallant sail and fly Jib. latter part blowed quite strong. took in the fly Jib and tacked ship. Mr Allen quite sick. raises a great deal of phlegm from his stomach. sound Lat 25.32 N

Long 125.36. East

Friday March 15

The fore part of this day light airs from the NE ship on the North tack. middle part of the day wind hauled to the Eastward ship heading N. latter part the same with a fine breeze. Mr Allen about the same

Lat 25.35 N

Ship Saml Robertson in the Yellow Sea
Saturday March 16th 1850

The fore and middle part of this day light airs from the East ship steering N. sent down the main topsail and repaired it. middle and latter part rainy. Mr Allen a great deal worse to day has watched the whole time and has every thing done to make him comfortable. has been troubled a great deal to day coughing, and appears to be very slightly so - ends
to Obs

Sunday March 17th

The fore part of this day moderate wind from the N. W. ship heading N. W. five sails in sight. spoke the Perry Morgan. and Genl Williams and both Captains come aboard. middle part blowing strong doubled reefed the topsails and fished the jib and mainsail Mr Allen had a very restless night and seemed to be in great distress. the fore part of the day he seemed to brighten up, and not be in so much pain, at 1 P.M. he began to grow uneasy again, suffered a great deal for about two hours. at 2 P.M. he was more easy his hands and feet began to grow cold. and he lost all use of them, at 4 P.M. his spirit took its flight and left nothing but a cold lump of clay. it is only two weeks since he was confined to his bunk with a bleeding sore on his right arm. which threw him into that awful disease the consumption, and hurried him to an untimely grave, for the last four days he experienced a great deal of pain and was very flighty during the whole time, for the last four hours he did not speak to be understood, so ends the days of a good man. he has left mother. sister and brother. and numerous friends to mourn his loss

Lat 28.49. N. Long 126.21 East

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bound to the Japan Sea to cruise. 1850

Monday March 18th 1850

This day commences with a fine breeze from the NNE ship heading to the E. five sails in sight. after breakfast we brought the remains of our beloved ship mate on deck and laid him out on the gang way plank and commenced making preparations for burial. the middle and latter part of the day nearly calm. at 4 PM hauled up the courses and hauled aback the fore topsail. and called all hands aft to witness the burial of the dead. the corpse was taken to the gang way. and there rested till the funeral service was read by the Captain. after the beautiful and solemn service was over, his remains was committed into the deep bosom of the Ocean. there to rest till the sea gives up its dead. it is only about a month since two of our little number has been taken from us. and it has cast a shadow over our ship's company which it will take some time to remove, Mr Allen was a young man about 28 years of age. he was a good officer and a good ship mate and loved and respected by all on board. and many is the tear that has been shed for his loss so ends the days of a man whose room can't be replaced

Lat 29. 19. North. Long 127. 17 East

Land

Wednesday March 20th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the WNW ship heading N at daylight set double reefs topsails courses and gib. one sail in sight. the weather being cleared out the room house and put up a stove. latter more moderate. saw two Islands called the Asses ears bearing NW ship heading NW at sunset wore ship. sound. L. 31. 33. Long. 128. 28

Friday March 22nd

The fore and middle part of this day moderate breezes from the NW. at daylight saw the land of the lee beam. ship heading NE with all sail out 5 sails in sight at 12 M entered into the Straits of Korea. latter part calm. sent down the F topsail and sent up another scunt

Lat 35. 54 North

The Ship Saml Robertson cruising
Saturday March 23rd 1850

The fore part of this day calm. sent down the mainsail and repaired it. four ships in sight bound through the Straits, the land in sight on both sides of us. Amidst part a huge sprang up from the N. spoke the ship. Hannibal of N London. and the Captain went on board. latter part strong breeze ship beating through the straits so end

Sunday March 24

Commences with strong gales from the N. at midnight commences blowing saw the land of the N. close ahead called all hands and wore ship and close reefed the topsails and reefed the foresail. blowing heavy. middle part of the day more moderate shook the reefs out of the topsails and set the courses and got three ships in sight. latter part wind hauled to the NW ship steering N by E under all sail. ~~latter~~ at sunset carried away the fore top gallant yard in the shingles sent it down on deck. and took in mizzen top gallant sail

Monday March 25th

The fore and middle part of this day strong breezes from the SW ship steering N by E & E saw two ships the watch employed in ripping up the old fore topsail and repairing the fore topgallant yard and sail. looked out for flour and bear. at 4 P.M. saw Doglets Island right ahead distance 6 leagues. at sunset shortened sail and set quarter watches. nearly calm. Lat 36. 45 N

Tuesday March 26th



Called all hands at daylight and made sail. with a light breeze from WNW. stood close in to Doglets Island The Massachusetts of Nantucket sent a boat aboard for letters middle part stood off shore. latter part light breeze from the NE saw two whales. lowered and chased and gallied them come aboard and shortened sail and set quarter watches

in the Japan Sea. 1850

Thursday March 28th 1850

Commences with moderate gales from the W. kept the ship of E and sun under double reef ^{main} topsails. at 12 M. hefted to the wind heading to the Southward. set the foresail. latter part heavy squalls of wind and rain. killed a hog so ends

Lat 38.20 N. Long 122.41 E

Saturday March 30th



Called all hand at daylight set whole topsail, jib and mainsail. a strong breeze from the WSW ship. cruising. saw two whales going very quick to windward did not lower. latter part more moderate gales with the Gen Williams at sun down took in sail

Sunday March 31st



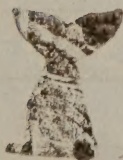
The fore part of this day thick weather with snow squalls. at 9 A.M. cleared of the wind light from the West. made sail and stood to the Southward. latter part gales with the M. Scott and the Gen Williams. saw two whales going quick to the windward. the weather come in thick shortened sail. Lat 38.06

Monday April 1st



Commences with light breezes from the N with fine weather. called all hand at daylight and made sail. sent up the fore top gallant yard. middle part wind hauled to the Southward. saw a gam of Whales towed three boats and chased till sunset. so wild could not get on. come aboard and shortened sail. blowing strong. Lat 37.40 N

Tuesday April 2nd



All of this day moderate breezes from the S with smoky weather. saw two whales going quick to the windward did not lower. latter part saw a ship take a whale along side to the windward of us. at sun down shortened sail so ends

The Samuel Robertson cruising in
Wednesday April 3rd 1850



Commences with moderate breezes from
the SSW with hazy weather. saw a whale
handy to the ship. lowered and chased and gallees
come aboard and got something to eat on the strength
of it. middle and latter part thick and rainy so end

Thursday April 4th



Commences with moderate gales from the NE
with thick and rainy weather. split the fore topsail
taking it in and broke the truss band. middle
part cleared of quite moderate. sent the topsail
down and repaired it. the black smith fitting
the truss band. saw whales lowered and chased awhile
so wild could not get on. come aboard and sent up
the topsail and fitted the band on the yard. Lat 37.41



Friday April 5th

The fore and middle part of this day fine
pleasant weather with a light wind from the
Westward. saw one whale going quick to the windward
did not lower. all hands employed in beaking out
the after hold and regulating it. latter part strong
wind. put her under close reefed main topsail and
sail in sight so end.

Saturday April 6th



Commences with moderate breezes from the
NW ship cruising. saw one whale going
quick to the Northern did not lower. all hands
employed in beaking out between and hooping
head. latter part of the day commenced blowing
strong. with hail squalls. shortened sail and
set the watch saw a number of Japanese Junk
steering to the East

the Japan Sea for Wright Whales. 1850

Sunday April 7th 1850



The fore part of this day strong gales from the NW the middle part moderate made sail ship working to the West saw one Junk latter part saw a number of whales going quick to the N did not lower. took in main top gallant sail and set the watch. Lat 37.02. Long 134.15

Monday April 8th



All of this day moderate breezes from SSW with clear weather. in the morning saw the Eastern shore of Japan. at 12 M saw the Island of Oki bearing WNW ship steering West saw whales going quick. latter part shortened sail and steered NW. Lat 36.56 Long 133.35

Tuesday April 9th



The fore part of this day light breezes from the SSW with pleasant weather saw whales a number of times during the day lowered and chased but without success. latter part calm saw a number of hump backs. took in sail and set the watch so ended with hard luck. Lat 37.38. Long 132.50 Even

Wednesday April 10th



The fore and middle part of this day calm. saw one whale in the morning. lowered and chased and did not get on. sent down the mizen topsail and repaired it. latter part light airs from the S ship steering NW at sunset shortened sail and kept on so ended

Thursday April 11th



The fore and middle part of this day calm. saw whales in the morning. lowered and chased most of the day. but could not get on. latter part a strong breeze from the N. the weather thick and hazy shortened sail and set the watch so ended

The Ship Saml Robertson cruising
Friday April 12th 1850



The fore part of this day light airs from the
N.E. with smoky weather. saw whales lowered
and chased did not get on. come aboard. one sail
in sight. latter part thick fog. shorten sail, so ends

Saturday April 13th

all the fore and middle part of this day
light airs from the N.E. with thick fog. broke
out 26 bbls of meat and filled them up with
pickle. heard a ship close to. and run for her.
and spoke her. the Tobias of N.B. the Captain come
on board and got some letters. latter part a strong
breeze from the S.E. so ends.

Sunday April 14th



All of this day light wind and variables. saw
one whale in the morning. lowered and
chased did not get on. as usual. three ships
in sight. so ends. Lat 28. 40 North

Tuesday April 15th



All of this day light winds from the Eastward
with drizzly weather saw whales twice during
the day. lowered and chased. did not get on
saw the ship Dartmouth of N.B. her boats fast to
a whale did not get him. so ends

Wednesday April 17th



The fore part of this day strong breeze from
the Westward ship heading to the Eastward. gamed
with the ship Dartmouth. three more ships in
sight. saw a plenty of whales all going quick. broke
out for lumber and stops to go aboard of the
Dartmouth so ends

Lat 29. 45 North

for Devil fish in the Japan Sea.

Thursday April 18th 1850

All of this day fine breezes from the NNE ship steering N by N. saw one whale going quick to the windward two ships in sight. took in the bow boat and put out an old one. latter part game with the ship. Dartmouth the Captain went on board and got some Potatoes saved. hauled out of the sea

Friday April 19th

All of this day moderate breezes from the NW with good weather. ship steering N by E one sail in sight. latter part shortened sail and come to the wind with the main topsail aback. set quarter watches

Lat 40. 20 N. Long 137. 50 East

Land? Saturday April 20th

This day strong breezes from the W called all hands at daylight and made sail and kept off E by N at 10 clock. saw the land bearing N.E. at 12 clock passed the Island of Oshima. at 2 P.M. entered the Straits of Matsuniar saw four ships bound through. pursued the Genl Scott and the Dartmouth at sun set half through the straits. took in fore and mizen top gallant sails,

Sunday April 21st

All of this day light airs from the S. ship steering ship. steering E by N. four ships and a plenty of humming birds ship. passed out of the strait in the evening. latter part game with the Genl Teste of Harva. Lat 41. 44. Long 143. 20 East

Monday April 22nd

All of this day fine breezes and pleasant weather. from the SSE. steering E by N game with the Gen Teste broke out for shops and meat. ship bound to the Arctic Sea Lat 41. 52

Long 144 42 East

The Ship Saml Robertson born
Wednesday April 24th 1880

All of this day moderate wind from the S
ship steering E by N, employed in painting the
chain plates. one ship in sight. saw one hump
back.

Lat 43.05 N, Long 151.12 East

Thursday April 25th

All of this day strong breezes from the S. with thick
weather and rain. ship steering NE. sent down the
fore and mizen top gallant yard and mizen top
gallant mast. latter put close reef topsails and
come to the wind. set quarter watches so end

Saturday April 27th

The fore and middle part of this day strong gales
from the S. with thick fog and rain ship steering
NE by E under double reef topsails and foresail
latter part win hauled to the SW and moderate down
with clear weather. made sail. so end

Monday April 29th

Commences with moderate gales from the
S with thick rainy weather. ship steering NE by N
under double reef topsails. latter part blowed on
strong. put her under close reefed main topsail and
huffed to the wind. set quarter watches so end.

Tuesday April 30th

The fore and middle part of this day strong gales
from the NW with clear weather. ship on the
northern tack. latter part of the day more moderate
set close reefed fore and mizen topsail and
foresail. set quarter watches. so end

Lat 47.26 N Long 166.29 East

to the Arctic Sea for bow heads, 1850

Wednesday May 1st 1850

Commences with light airs from the S. called all hand at daylight and made sail. kept of N.W. middle part. spoke the ships Kutisoff and Waverly of N.B. the Captainia went on board of the Waverly. latter part strong breeze with thick snow squalls. shortened sail steered N by W

Lat 50. 11. Long 163. 51 East

Thursday May 2^d

The fore and middle part of this day moderate gales from the S.W. set the foresail and steered N by W. broke out for meat. spoke the ship Italy of Greenport

latter part wind hauled to the W and blowed on. steering hove to under close reefed main topsails. Lat 52. 26 N

Friday May 3^d

The fore part of this day strong breezes from the W. with thick snow squalls. set double reefed topsails. mainsail and jib. ship on the wind heading to the Northward. two ships in sight. latter part wind light from the N.W. with snow squalls. shortened sail and set the water

Lat 53. 17. N Long. 163. 15 East

Saturday May 4th

The fore part of this day moderate breezes from the West set whole topsails jib and mainsail ship on the wind with Larbourn tacks aboard saw Wright whales lower and chased did not get on. middle and latter part strong breezes from the S.W. spoke the Kutisoff and Waverly. the Skipper went on board of the Waverly and got some Potatoes and Onions. at sun set shortened sail and steered N.W. No Obs



Samuel has seen the big Bear. and
Monday May 6th 1850

All of this day moderate breezes from the NW
made all sail at day light and steered NW by W
at 10 A.M. saw the main land of Kankatcha
ahead. stood in close saw nothing and tacked
ship and stood off. latter part gamel with the
Waverly and Kutusoff of N.B. Lat 55. 58. North

Tuesday May 7th

The fore part of this day light wind from
the N. ship heading in shore. at 9 A.M. got
within 3 miles of the shore. wore ship and
stood off with the main yard aback. the Captain
took a boats crew and went ashore in company
with the Captain of the Waverly. shortly after
reaching the shore. the encountered a very large
Russian Bear. and after a hard battle with
rifles and lances they captured him. they skinned
him and cut him into, and brought him aboard
he weighed about 14 hundred weight. dressed. it took
14 men to lift him before dressing. latter part
calm. so ends

Wednesday May 8th

The fore part of this day light wind from
the S. ship steering to the North morning
along the bay of the Land. broke out for
butter and coffee. saw a few hump backs
and three ships. latter part of the day
strong breeze and cloudy. hove to under close
reef fore and main topsail. and set the
watch Lat 56. 30

has some hopes of seeing the Elephant.

Friday May 10th 1850

The fore part of this day light air from the N with thick fog ship steering to the Westward. middle part clear of. saw some pieces of fat land. hove out for water latter part strong breezes with fog signals. tacked ship and stood to the Eastward and shortened sail

Lat 58. 18 North

Saturday May 11th

All of this day strong breezes from the N, with thick weather. ship heading to the Eastward under short sail. hove out for meat, so on.

Sunday May 12th

The fore and middle part of this day strong breezes from the NNE ship heading to the Eastward under short sail. saw killers and fin backs. latter part more moderate. saw one ship. so on.

Monday May 13th

Commences with moderate breezes from the SE with thick snow squalls. steering NE under all sail hove out for flour, beer and water and pickles latter part clear weather shortened sail and set the watch

Lat 57. 52 North

Tuesday May 14th

Commences with moderate breezes from the SSE with thick snow squalls. ship steering to the Eastward. under double reef topsail and jib and mainsail. latter part thick fog shortened sail, and set the watch

The Saml Robertson finds some very
Wednesday May 15th 1850

All of this day light breezes from the S W with thick
fog. ship steering to the North and East with all
sail out. so end

Thursday May 16th

The fore and middle part of this day. light airs
from the S S E with cloudy weather. ship steering
E N E with all sail out. latter part clear. saw three
fin backs. steering E. so end

Friday May 17th



All of this day light winds from the E. saw
five Polar Whales all going quick to the East
lowered twice and chased. but without success
saw three ships. so end Lat 60. 36 N Long 177. 12



Saturday May 18th

This day comes in with
good luck, and light winds
from the East. at daylight saw a dead whale
to the leeward of the ship. lowered a boat and
took him along side. at 8 AM commenced cutting
at. 8 PM had his jacket in the blubber worn
latter part spoke the ships Menkas and the
Circanata and commenced boiling. saw some
drift ice. set in thick fog. so end

Sunday May 19th

The fore part of this day heavy fog and sleet
with a moderate breeze from the E. middle and
latter part clear. saw a large field of ice stood
close in to it saw nothing to the ship and stood
to the Southward. saw three ships. all hands employed
in boiling

Lat 60. 45 North

cold disagreeable weather around these diggins

Monday May 20th 1850

All of this day strong breezes from the E ship. lying to under double reef main topsail got through boiling and cleared up decks. and set quarter watches. the weather very cold so ends

Tuesday May 21st

Commences with moderate breezes from the E & E made all sail and stood to the North. all hands employed in stowing down oil. stood in close to the ice. and stood off saw 6 ships two a boiling. latter part got through stowing down. spoke the ship Navy of N.B. shortened sail. so ends. Lat 61.00 N Long 119.54. East

Wednesday May 22nd



The fore part of this day moderate breezes from the E. made sail at daylight and stood to the Northward. at 8 AM run close in to the ice. saw two whales. hove and chased. did not get on. the whales went under the ice. two ships in sight. come in thick fog. shortened sail and stood off the ice. broke out for meat so ends

Thursday May 23rd



The fore and middle part of this day moderate breezes from the E & E with thick snow storm. latter part clear. saw whales. hove and chased did not get on. all going quick. saw two ships, one a cutter

Friday May 24th

The fore part of the day light airs from the West ship. cruising round the ice. saw nothing. middle and latter part strong breeze from the E & E and thick fog. shortened sail and stood off the ice so ends

The Samuel Robertson cruising round
Saturday May 25th 1850

All of this day strong wind from the E with thick hazy weather. saw three whales all going quick to the windward. saw a number of ships spoke the ship Genl Scott of F.H. and the Parashute of N.B. latter part of the day set in thick fog. took in sail. so ends Lat 60. 55 North

Saturday May 25th



Commenced with strong breezes from the E.N.E. at 11 AM saw a dead whale in a field of ice about one mile square. run the ^{ship} through and fastened to him three different times before we hauled him out. took him along side and cut him in. at 5 PM got through cutting. the weather come in thick and hazy spoke the ship Jefferson and the Captain went on board. took in the fore and Mizzen topsail and commenced boiling

Sunday May 26th

The fore part of this day thick fog with light air from the N.E. middle part clear. set double reef topsails and stood in amongst the ice. 10 ships in sight. employed in boiling. latter part thick fog. shortened sail. ship surrounded by ice. so ends

Monday May 27th

The fore and middle part of this day strong winds from the N.E. with thick snow storm. the watch employed in boiling. ship under short sail dodging round the ice. latter part got through boiling and cleared up decks. and set quarter watches. wind light with thick fog

the Ice for low Heads. 1850

Tuesday May 28th 1850

The fore part of this day moderate breeze from the NE with thick weather. called all hands at 8 AM and commenced stowing down oil. spoke the James Allen of D. B. middle and latter part strong gales from NE with thick fog and rain. put her under close reef main topsail, and knocked of stowing down. got supper and set the watch, sleep.


Wednesday May 29th

All of this day strong gales from the NE with thick weather and snow squalls. killed two pigs. sleep.

Thursday May 30th

The fore part of this day strong gales from the NE with thick snow storm. saw the ice. wore ship and stood off. broke out for meat. middle part cleared of saw a number of ships. latter part quite moderate set close reefed topsail and foresail. Lat 61. 21 North

Friday May 31st

 The fore part of this day light winds from the NE called all hands at daylight and made sail and commenced stowing down oil. middle part ship dodging round in the ice. saw one whale lowered and chased him under the ice in company with the Monks boats. at 5 PM got through stowing down. wind very light. ship in the middle of a very large field of ice. made all sail and pointed old Larus head out in clear water. lowered a boat and shot four seal of the ice. the Captain went on board of the Meteor of Mystic. saw the land in sight.

Saturday June 1st

The fore part of this day calm. broke out and turned ship by the stern made an ice breaker and fastened it to the stern. sent up the M. to get the most. latter part light breeze from the SE clear weather. made all sail and running through the ice to the S and E. shot two seal of the ice. sleep.



The Ship Samuel Robertson in
Friday June 2nd 1860

All of this day light wind from the S.W. with thick weather. saw one whale going quick to the windward did not lower. spoke the ship Mole of N.B. and gammed with her. both ships steering N.E. by N. with all sail out. got clear of the ice at 7 A.M. seven ships in sight. so ends

Monday June 3rd

All of this day moderate breezes from the S.W. at daylight saw a large body of ice ahead of the ship. steering N.E. by E in company with the Mole and Meteor. both Captains come on board of us. and the Samuel took the lead bore to the Northward intending to open a passage through the ice. after running about 15 miles in the ice. we got blocked up so we could go no further. the ice too close the Captains went aboard of their own ships. and went to work to beat out again. while in the act of going in stays we fetched up on a large cake of ice and stoppt our headway. while the ships head lay on the ice. the Meteor come along under our lee within a cables length of us. and went in stays and as we broke of the ice she got ahead of us. broke our fly jib boom and jib boom. and tore her fore topsail. the cake of ice kept us apart. so there was no damage done to the hulls. went to work and got in the pieces. and rigged out another jib boom. at 8 P.M. got ~~at~~ clear of the ice. so ends

Lat 61. 58 N

Tuesday June 4th

All of this day clear weather and light breezes from the S.W. ship steering to the S.E. saw a number of ships steering the same. the watch employed in scraping down latter part gammed with the Sarah of Mattapovint so ends
Lat 61. 34. Long 178. 28 West

a bad fix amongst the ice, 1850

Thursday June 6th 1850

The fore and middle part of this day light airs from the NNE ship steering NE by N. myself employed in setting up shooks. latter part calm. saw Matthews Island distant 10 leagues. saw ice as far as you could see to the N and 3 three ships in sight. so end Lat 60. 35. Long 174. 37 West

Friday June 7th

All of this day moderate breezes from the NE with cloudy weather. ship steering to the N and West along the edge of the ice looking for a passage through to the North. four ships in sight

Lat 61. 26. Long 175. 24 West

Saturday June 8th

The fore part of this day strong breeze from the NNE with a thick fog. ship on the win cruising. middle and latter part clear. saw four ships. spoke the Tiger of S. a boiling the Captain went on board of him to get the news so end

Sunday June 10th

The fore and middle part of this day strong winds from the N. spoke the ship Californie of S. B. a boiling. the watch employed in drying bone and bundling it. saw the ice. latter part wind light. from the E with thick weather. yesterday stray breezes all day. broke out between decks to make room for some whales we are a going to get before long

Tuesday June 11th

The fore part of this day light airs from the S with thick fog. ship steering NE by N. middle part clear set the topmost standing sail. two ships in sight. broke out for head. myself setting up shooks. latter part thick fog so end Lat 63. 10 North

The good Ship Samuel has to encounter
Wednesday June 12th 1850

This day moderate breezes from the S.W. ship steering
N.E. with all sail out. saw a dead whale. to fore gone
to be gone. lowered a boat and got about 20 fathoms of line
from him. four ships in sight spoke the N.B. Tadmorge
a boiling. latter part got our small anchor on the bow
and chain bent to it. ship within 15 miles of the Eastern
Coast of Siberia running along the land. so end

Lat 63. 40. North



Thursday June 13th

All of this day strong breezes from the South
with smoky weather. saw one ship. boiling. saw
one bow head and a number of scraggs of different
specie. latter part thick fog shortened sail so end

Friday June 14th

The fore and middle part of this day strong breezes
from the S with fog. sounded and got bottom in 30
fathoms. latter part cleared of and moderate down.
saw Kings Island. run close in to it. took ship and stowed
to the North and West. saw the ice. and some scraggs so end

Saturday June 15th

The fore and middle part of this day light
variables winds. ship bound through Behring's
Straits. saw nothing but scraggs. latter part calm
ship close to Ratmanof Island. saw a number of canoes
bound across the straits. two came along side with furs
and ivory to trade. which we bought for tobacco. they
all appeared to be very friendly. they sold us every
thing they had. even the coats of their backs. and
left us given us an invitation to come ashore by
signs. so end

Lat 65. 50 North

Long 168. 42. West

a great many hardships round these diggences 1850


Sunday June 16th 1850

Commences with strong breezes from the S.E. with thick fog. ship laying with main topsails aback. middle part clewed up. kept ship of N.Y. W. in tow of the land. got within 4 leagues of the land. saw a number of whales. supposed to be Polar Whales. dropt anchor in 30 fathoms of water and lowered three boats and chased them. and found out they were scrogs while the boats was af. the current set a heavy body of ice down on the ship and split the stern. and tore of some copper and sheathing. when the boats got along side hove up anchor. and run out clear of the ice under close reefed topsails. blowing strong. Lat 66.35 N

Monday June 17th

The fore part of this day light airs from the N.E. with thick snow storm. ship steering to the Eastward to get clear of the ice. ~~middle~~ ^{middle} part clear a strong breeze from the W.N.W. steered to the Southward out through the Straits. latter part wind hauled to the S.E. very light ship within two leagues of the land six canoes came along side with ivory and skins to trade. four ships in sight one a boiling so end

Tuesday June 18th

 Moderate breezes from S.E. set in thick fog. called all hands at 3 A.M. and come to anchor in the middle of the Straits in 30 fathoms of water and furled the sails. at 10 A.M. blowed strong and give her more chaina commenced dragging. and give her 150 fathoms ship. pitching very heavy. at 1 P.M. the anchor broke. hove in chaina and set close reefed topsails. latter part strong gales. saw two ships. so end

The good Ship Samuel out of all
Wednesday June 19th 1850

The fore part of this day strong breeze from the
S. set the foresail. ship working to the Southward
middle and latter part wind light. saw six ships
all working to the Southward. spoke the N.P. Talmadge
of C. S. broke out for dried Apples and meat and
got the L. Anchor of the bows. so end land in sight

Lat 66. 35 North

Thursday June 20th

all of this day light baffling wind. gained with
the ship. Gratitude of N.P. saw four bow heads and
a number of scraggs. lowered and chased. whales rather
shy. ship close in to the Western shore to the North
of the straits so end

Saturday June 22nd

All of this day light air from the NW ship cruising
of the Western cape at the entrance of the straits
saw one Polar Whale in the morning. lowered
and chased. the W. boat struck and drewed
boats come on board. saw a ship take a whale. latter
part chased another whale. did not get on. 12 ships
in sight. four a boiling broke out for flour and Mollasses
so end the day

Sunday June 23rd


The fore part of this day thick fog, with a light breeze
from the West W. middle and latter part clear
saw a number of bow heads all going quick
to the N. lowered and chased for five hours
did not get on. come aboard and made all suit
and stowed to the Northward. seven ships in sight
one a cutting a whale so end

difficulty. and is bound to catch something before long

Monday June 24th 1850


All of this day calm. saw a few bow whales. lowered four boats and chased did not get. all of them going quick. saw a number of ships boiling and whaling. so ends the day

Tuesday June 25th

 All of this day light winds from the North. saw a few bow heads and a plenty of scraggs all going quick. lowered and chased did not get on. saw a large body of ice to the North of us. ship. cruising along the N. shore saw a number of ship. broke out for meat. so end

Wednesday June 26th


The fore part of this day strong winds from the N.W. with fog and rain. middle part clear. with the wind

 L & saw a few wild bow heads. lowered and chased 8 hours did not get within hail of one ship. in close to the land. a number of Indians come along side in canoes. with trade. five ships in sight so end

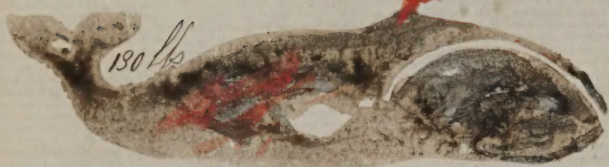
Thursday June 27th

The fore part of this day light winds from the S.W. ship. cruising round the land. saw nothing but scraggs. a few canoes came along side. middle and latter part strong breezes from the N.W. sent up the fore and main top gallant yards. spoke the ship. Genl Scott of N.L. a number of ships in sight. some boiling. so end.

Friday June 28th

 All of this day strong breezes from the N. latter part saw a number of bow heads. lowered and chased as usual. with the same success. saw a number of ships, some a boiling. ship. under short sail cruising off and on the Western shore so end with dull times

The good Ship Samuel is up and doing.



Saturday June 29th 1850
Commences with moderate breezes

from the N.E. saw whales in the morning, lowered and chased, and the L. Boat struck and drew middle part lower for more whales and the W. Boat struck and iron hoke. boats came aboard. at 10 P.M. saw more whales lowered two boats, and the S. Boat struck, and got him. B. Boat got stove, got him along side at 12 P.M. and commenced cutting, a number of ships in sight. so ends

Sunday June 30th



This day moderate breezes from the N.W. with cloudy weather, got through cutting at 1. O'Clock and commenced boiling, one watch went below. latter part saw a few whales, lowered and chased did not get on 28 ships in sight. 15 cutting and boiling



Monday July 1st

All of this day moderate breezes from the E. with cloudy weather, saw a number of ship, all smoking, all hands chopping bone and boiling. latter part saw a dead whale, took him along side at 9 P.M. and commenced cutting so ends

Tuesday July 2nd

This day moderate breezes from the E. got through cutting at 5. A.M. the watch went below. ship steering to the N.W. latter part saw the ice run close in to it. saw a number of serogs. shot a large Walrus of the ice, lowered a boat and got him aboard. employed in boiling. so ends three ships in sight

Lat 67. 46 North

Cruising in the Arctic Sea among the bowheads & ice
Wednesday July 3^d



All of this day light airs from the E. all hands employed in stowing down and boiling. 30 ships in sight. spoke the Superior of 12 11 whales this this season. lowered a boat and struck a walrus. cut his head off and brought it aboard. saw one Polar whale. running the express to the N. Pole. saw a plenty of scragg whales. got through boiling at 6 P.M. so ends

Thursday July 4th



The fore part of this day thick fog with light airs from the N.E. the watch employed in stowing down. middle part clear. saw a number of bow heads. lowered and chased and the S Boat struck and got him. at 5 P.M. took him along side and commenced cutting. set in thick again. spoke the ship Joseph Hazden of Bremen. 5 whales. so ends

Friday July 5th



The fore part of this day thick fog with light airs from the N.E. the watch employed in boiling. middle part clear. saw two bow heads. lowered two boats. the Waist boats struck and got him. took him along side and commenced cutting at 6 P.M. at 9 P.M. got through and set the watch. a number of ship in sight

Saturday July 6th



All of this day light airs from the N.E. the watch employed in boiling and cleaning bone. saw three whales all going as if the Devil was after them. saw the ice. 30 ships in sight. most of them a boiling spoke the Joseph Hazden, so ends

Ship Samuel Robertson cruising
Sunday July 7th 1850



This Day moderate breezes from the E. all hands employed in stowing down and boiling. a large fleet of ships in sight. gained a short time with the ships Navy and Couper of N.B. saw a few whales. lowered and chased did not get on. saw a large body of ice latter part of the Day thick fog. so ends

Monday July 8th



All of this Day foggy. saw whales close to the ship. lowered and chased. without success. saw a ship now and then. the watch employed in boiling so ends

Tuesday July 9th



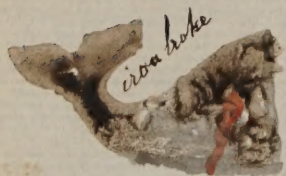
Commences with strong breezes from the S.E. saw a Dead whale called all hands at 4 A.M. and took him along side and commenced cutting. got through at 12 M. spoke the ship Janus of N.B. latter part employed in stowing down. a number of ships in sight. so ends

Lat 67. 46 North

Wednesday July 10th

This Day strong breezes from the S.E. all hands employed in boiling and stowing down. saw a plenty of ships. and two whales going quick so ends

Thursday July 11th



The fore part of this Day strong breezes from the E. all hands employed in stowing down oil. got through boiling at 12 M. middle and latter part quite moderate. ship cruising round the ice. spoke the bark Mary Tracies of N.B. the kind in sight. saw a number of whales. lowered and chased and the Waist boat struck and iron broke and that closes the Day.

for Polar Whales in the Arctic Sea 1850

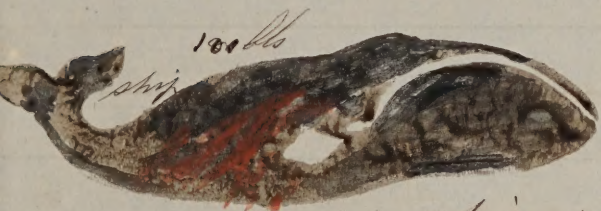
Friday July 12th 1850

All of this day light wind from the Eastward. ship working to the Southward towards the straits. saw a few scrag whales and a number of ships. lowered 2 boats and went on to the ice. and had a pitched battle with an army of Walruses. killed about 30 and retreated. nobody hurt on our side. saw a ship take a dead whale along side. so ends

Saturday July 13th

The fore and middle part of this day smoky weather. with light wind from the E.N.E. all hands employed in stowing down oil. saw a plenty of scrags. 7 ships in sight. saw one take a dead whale along side. latter part of the day gamed with the ship, Republic of Bremen. set in thick fog, so ends

Tuesday July 16th



The last two days thick fog. this day light air from the S.E. clear weather ship working in towards the land. at 12 o'clock saw a dead whale. took him along side. and cut him in found two Indians Irons in him. a number of ships in sight. so end commenced boiling

Wednesday July 17th

All of this day light wind from the E. ship cruising close in shore. all hands employed in boiling. cleaning bone and setting up shooks. a number of ships in sight. so end

Thursday July 18th

This day strong breeze from the S.E. ship working to the Southward. a number of ships in sight. saw three at anchor got through boiling at 2 P.M. latter part gamed with the ship. while of S.E. saw a plenty of scrags so ends

Ship Tanquer Robertson cruising in
Friday July 19th 1850

The fore and middle part of this day light
wind from the S.E. a number of ships in
sight all working through the Straits. saw the
Milo take a dead whale along side. saw a
whale going quick. lowered and chased did not get
on. came aboard. ship. close in to the shore. a canoe
came along side with trade. latter part strong breeze
with thick fog. so end

Saturday July 20th

All of this day slight breeze from the S.E. with thick
fog. all hands employed in stowing down oil. got
through at 7 P.M. and set the watch

Sunday July 21st

All of this day strong breeze from the S.E. with thick
fog. ship working to the S under short sail. seized
three men in the rigging for fighting. so end

Monday July 22^d

This day moderate breeze from the S.E. with fog squalls
saw a French ship pick up a dead whale. myself setting
up shoals. five ships in sight. so end



Tuesday July 23^d

The fore part of this day
moderate breeze from the S.E.
with thick fog. myself employed in setting
up shoals. latter part of the day cleared up.
a little saw a dead whale with two Indians
drugs to him. took him along side and
cut him in. so end

the Arctic Sea for Polar Whales. 1850

Wednesday July 24th.

All of this day moderate breezes from the S.E. with cloudy weather. the watch employed in boiling. saw the Cape bearing S.E. a number of ships in sight. so ends

Thursday July 25th

The fore and middle part of this day calm. the latter part light airs from the N.E. ship heading South. the watch employed in scraping bone and cleaning ship. saw & got through boiling at 10 A.M. four ships in sight. so ends

Friday July 26th

All of this day moderate breezes from the Eastward with thick rainy weather. spoke the ship. Umias of A.B. 2500 this morn saw a number of ships working up to the Cape. a strong current setting to the Northern. so ends

Saturday July 27th

All of this day strong winds from the S. carrying sail hard. trying to get up to the Cape. saw a number of ships all working to the S. spoke the ship. Luminous of Warren latter part of the day foggy. so ends

Sunday July 28th



This day light airs from the S.E. with clear weather. saw a number of whales going quick to the N. lower and chased did not get on. spoke the ship. Waresby. 1900 lbs. latter part saw a whale going slow. lower and chased and the L. Boat struck and got him took him along side and commenced cutting at 6 P.M. at 9 P.M. had his Jacket in the blubber room gamed with the ship. Italy of Greenport. a number of ships in sight. commenced boiling so ends the day.

The Saml Robertson finds some disagreeable

Monday July 29th 1850

All of this day thick rainy weather with a moderate breeze from the N.E. cooler down the works at 8 o'clock ship cruising close in to the land just to the north of the Cape, latter part of the day cleared of broke out for head and started the works again so end

Tuesday July 30th

The fore part of this day calm, saw three ships two a sailing, spoke the Pioneer of N.B. middle and latter part strong winds from the W with thick rainy weather, the watch employed in boiling so end

Wednesday July 31st

The fore and middle part of this day thick fog with moderate winds from the N.W. got through boiling at 10 o'clock gained with the ships Nimrod and Albatross. latter part commenced heaving out the fore hold so end

Thursday August 1st

All of this day thick fog and calm, all hands employed in stowing down oil, got through at 7 P.M. and cleared up decks, set the watch so end

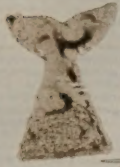
Friday August 2nd

Most of this day thick fog with a light breeze from the South, ship steering W under short sail the watch employed in stowing down provisions myself setting up shovels so end

Saturday August 3rd

All of this day thick fog with light airs from the N.E. ship steering N.W. the watch employed in setting up the head rigging, myself setting up shovels latter part sounded and got bottom in 80 fathoms of water so end

weather. but she is bound to keep her end up. 1850



Sunday August 4th

The fore and middle part of this day light winds from the S.E. with pleasant weather. saw a few bow heads. lowered and chased. the S Boat went on to two. and the boat steered missed both. latter part strong breezes and hazy. one ship in sight

Monday August 5th

The fore part of this day Thunder and lightning and rain middle and latter part moderate gales from the West ship heading to the N under short sail. saw two bow heads and a few scraps. so ends



Tuesday August 6th

All of this day strong breezes from the West. saw a number of bow heads lowered and chased all the fore part of the day without success. at 12 P.M. lowered down two boats and chased. and the L Boat struck and saved him and took him along side at 6 P.M. and commenced cutting. got through at 12 P.M. set the watch and commenced boiling. so ends

Wednesday August 7th



All of this day strong gales from the Westward the watch employed in boiling. saw a few whales

Thursday August 8th

The fore and middle part of this day strong breezes from the West. the watch employed in boiling. the latter part calm and foggy. hoke out for molasses and Coffee and stops one ship in sight. so ends the day

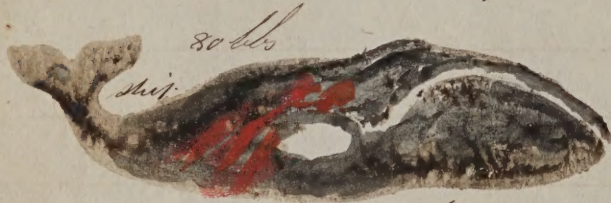
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The Ship Sam^t Robertson cruising



Friday August 9th 1850

The fore part of this day light airs from the SW with fine rain middle part calm. saw whales lowered and chased without success. latter part moderate breeze from the NW saw a gam of bow heads. lowered the three boats and chased. the W. Boat struck. and the S Boat she got struck and stove. turned up the whale and got him along side at 6 P.M. commenced cutting at 8 and got through at 11 P.M. closed up decks. and set the watch



Saturday August 10th

All of this day light airs from the N. saw a number of seroys saw a dead bow head. took him along side and cut him in. all hands busy starting water and sails. so ends

Sunday August 11th

All of this day strong gales from the S with light rain. all hands employed in boiling. and stowing down oil. latter part of the day reefed the foresail and set it. ship working to the weather. so ends



Monday August 12th

Commences with light winds from the E with pleasant weather. the watch employed in boiling. at 11 A.M. saw a small pod of whales lowered and chased and the L Boat struck. got him turned up and took him along side. and commenced cutting at 4 P.M. got through at 8 1/2 P.M. got supper and set the watch. had light rain all the time cutting. so ends

for Polar Whales. Just this side of the North Pole
Tuesday August 13th 1850

All of this day strong breezes from the E. all hands employed
in boiling and stowing down. ship under short sail heading
to the Southward. latter part broke the Parashute of NB so ends



Wednesday August 14th

The fore and middle part of this day
ship standing to the Northward with a
light breeze from the Eastward. two ships in sight, saw one
take a whale. saw a few whales did not chase. middle
part saw a whale just going in his fluke. lowered a boat
and hooked on to him and took him along side. at
4 P.M. commenced cutting. got through at 9 P.M. ship blubber
logger. took in sail and set the watch, so ends

Thursday August 15th

All of this day moderate breezes from the E ship laying
under short sail blubber logger. all hands employed in
boiling and stowing down. nothing in sight so ends

Friday August 15th

All of this day light airs from the E. all hands
employed in boiling, stowing down and cleaning house
ship laying under short sail blubber logger. saw
a few bow heads did not chase one ship in sight

Saturday August 16th

The fore and middle part of this day calm all
hands employed in boiling and stowing down. latter
part light airs from the N. ship blubber logger
laying under short sail. four ships in sight and
a hatching. so ends

Ship Saml Robertson cruising
Sunday August 18th 1850



The most of this day calm. made
sail in the morning. saw
a few ships. and a number of
whales. lower and chased and the S Boat struck
and killed. got him along side at 3 P.M. and cleared
decks ready for cutting. at 8 P.M. commenced cutting
got through at 12 P.M. and set the watch. employed
through the day boiling and stowing down, &c.

Monday August 19th



All of this day light airs from the NW ship
laying under short sail blubber logged. all hands
employed in stowing down and boiling. saw whales

Tuesday August 20th

The fore part of this day calm with fine rain
middle and latter part strong wind from the E
all hands employed through the day stowing down & boiling

Wednesday August 21st

All of this day strong breezes from the Eastward
all hands employed in stowing down and boiling
saw the Arzimbos of N.B. latter part set the Fore Topsail
so end the day no whales in sight


Thursday August 22nd

The fore part of this day calm. saw the ice
all hands employed in boiling. cleaning bone
and various other duties. latter part strong wind
from the E. S. E. saw two ships. spoke the
Corilinos of Mystic. shortened sail and stood
to the Southward. saw a number of Carcasses
so end


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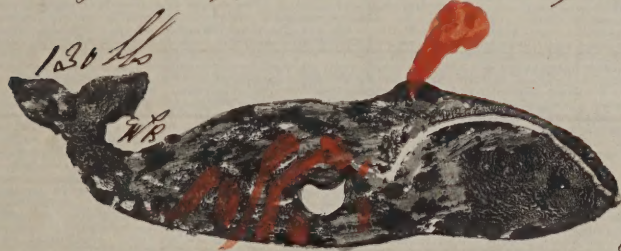
for Polar Whales in the Arctic Sea

Friday August 23^d 1850

 All of this day moderate breezes from the S.E. ship on the southern tack. all hands employed in stowing oil. saw five ships, four boiling and cutting. saw a few whales. all going quick did not lower. shortened sail and set quarter watches. so ends the day

Saturday August 24th


 The fore part of this day light breezes from the E. called all hands at 5 A.M. and commenced stowing down oil saw Whales. lowered and chased. come in thick fog boats come aboard. and went to stowing down again middle and latter part strong winds. got through stowing and got supper and set quarter watches. so ends



Sunday August 25th

Called all hands at 5 A.M. and commenced stowing down provisions had a light breeze from the N with cloudy weather. middle part of the day saw Whales. lowered and chased and the W Boat struck. the other two boats fastened to him and soon turned him fin out. to him along side at 8 P.M. and got ready for cutting and set the watch. so ends

Monday August 26th

 Called all hands at 2 A.M. and commenced cutting had light winds from the N with fog and rain. got through cutting at 6 1/2 A.M. and started the works. and went to stowing down provisions. middle part clear of saw Whales. lowered two boats and chased. did not get on. all going quick. saw five ships two a boiling. latter part got through stowing down. cleared up decks and set the watch. so ends

Ship Saml Robertson cruising for
Tuesday August 27th 1850

All of this day strong winds from the N.W. the watch
employed in boiling, myself setting up Butts, games with
the ships Mary, Hazier, and Corilivins. so ends

Wednesday August 28th

All of this day strong gales from the Northern
ship laying to under short sail. the watch employed
in boiling. two ships in sight. Lat 69. 02 North

Thursday August 29th

All of this day strong gales from the Northern
got through boiling at 7 A.M. saw one ship a boiling
saw a few whales. so ends the day

Friday August 30th

All of this day moderate gales from the N. all
hands employed in stowing down. saw a plenty
of whales. latter part set the foresail and stood
to the Westward. so ends the day

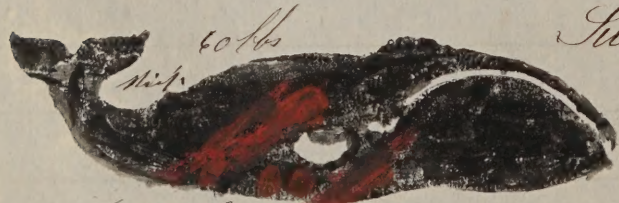
Saturday August 31st



All of this day strong breezes from the
N. with cloudy weather. saw a plenty
of whales. lowered and chased. and the

N. Boat struck and lost the line. the S. Boat struck and got one
took him along side and commenced cutting at 8 P.M. got through at 7 P.M.
shaken sail and set the watch. three ships in sight. so ends

Sunday Sept 1st



This day light wind. from the N.
saw a few whales. lowered and chased

The L. Boat, dived at one, was not near enough. the N. Boat dived
dived at one, was not near enough. saw the ship Coates take a
whale. latter part shook the ship Columbus of F.H. the Captain
went on board and got some letters. saw a Dead whale took
him along side. and set the watch. employe in boiling, so ends.

Polar Whales in the Arctic Sea. 1850.

Monday Sept 2^d 1850

All of this day light airs and variables. called all hand at 8 AM and commenced cutting. saw the Columbus cutting a whale. got through at 10 AM. saw a number of ships. latter part spoke the ship Copin of N.B. employed in boiling and setting up sharks.

Tuesday Sept 3^d

Commenced with heavy gales from the N.W. cooled down at 6 AM and took in the main topsail. turned up the lee boats and secured the oil. latter part of the day the wind abated some. had thick snow squalls during the day secured

Wednesday Sept 4th

The fore part of this day strong wind from the West. commenced boiling at 5 AM at 7 AM made sail and kept of S.E. bound out of the Sea. employed through the day tearing down the steeple and coopersing and stowing oil. latter part of the day quite moderate shortened sail and heaved to the wind. Lat 67. 31 N

Thursday Sept 5th

The fore and middle part of this day moderate wind from the N. saw the Lam at daylight and kept of for the Straits and made sail. sent up the fore and mizen top gallant sail spoke the ship Amers. 3300 bbls bound out of the sea. spoke the ship Waverly 2600 bbls this season. bound out. latter part winds light from the E passed out through the Straits at 5 PM. bound in to St Laurence Bay. employed through the day in boiling. and setting up. shooks. saw five ships bound out

Friday Sept 6th

The fore and middle part of this day calm. got through boiling at 8 AM. all hand employed in stowing down oil. latter part light airs from the S.E. ship heading in for St Laurence Bay. spoke the ship Joseph Hayden 2500 bbls. at sundown dropt anchor under foot. and clewed up the sails. newly calm so ended

The Good Ship Sam^t Robertson in a bad
Saturday Sept 7th 1850

Called all hands at 3 A.M. and weighed anchor. a light breeze from the N. stood in for the bay in company with the ships Waverly and Arcus. to get water. all hands employed in clearing up between Decks. and setting up water shoos. come to anchor at 10 A.M. in 13 fathoms of water within a half a mile of a small Island in the mouth of the bay. the Arcus got water and went to sea the latter part of

Sunday Sept 8th

All of this day strong winds from the N. all hands employed in clearing up between Deck. and setting up water shoos. the Captain went a gunning in company with Capt. Neil. middle part of the day let go the S. Anchor blowing quite strong

Monday Sept 9th

Commences with strong gales from the North sent down three top gallant yards. and give her all of the Larboard chain and part of the Starboard one. middle and latter part continues the same. with the thick and hazy so end

Tuesday Sept 10th

All of this day heavy gales from the N.W. ship riding with three anchors ahead. laying in a bad situation. within a quarter of a mile of a lee shore. sent down the fore and main top gallant ~~yard~~ mast. and the lower yards. the weather very cold and disagreeable and a very bad place to lay so end the day

Situation in St Lawrence Bay. 1850

Wednesday Sept 11th

The wind continues to blow from the NW with great violence middle part of the day from the ship dragging her anchors. give her all of both chains. and cut away the main top gallant mast, sent down the topsails yards. and housed the main topmast, put over three small anchors attached to a hawser. and she stops dragging. ship lying in a bad situation within a cables length of a lee shore. the weather extremely cold and blustering with thick snow squalls. latter part wind lulled a little. ship riding quite easy with 6 anchors ahead

Thursday Sept 12th

During the night and the fore part of this day blew a moderate gale from the NW. at 12 AM moderated down nearly to a calm. run hawsers and lines to the ship. Waverly. she being half mile further of shore. hove up one anchor and warped her nearly up to her. and dropt both anchors again. latter part moderate breeze from the W. ship in a better situation and our minds more easy than last night. so end

Friday Sept 13th

The fore part of this day light airs from the NW. called all hands at daylight and sent up the yards and main topmast. at 8 AM weighed anchors and stood out to sea. in company with the ship Waverly. steering to the Southward. got the H. anchor on the bow and unbent the chain and stowed it on board through the deck clearing deck and putting things to rights. so end with light airs latterly

Saturday Sept 14th

The fore and middle part of this day calm. all hands employed in stowing down oil and clearing decks. the Captain of the Waverly on board during the day. latter part of the day set in thick fog with light airs from the Eastward. ship steering to the Southward. clear of all dangers at present so end

The Ship Sam^l Robertson on the way
Sunday Sept 15th 1850

The fore and middle part of this day light airs from the N. set the topmast Studding sail and sent up a main top gallant mast. latter part of the day strong breezes from the N. steering S W under double reefed topsails and foresail weather thick and hazy. took in the bow boat. so ended the waverly in company Lat 64.19. N

Tuesday Sept 17th

The fore and middle part of this day strong wind from the N W. ship steering S S W. sent up the main top gallant yard arm sail. and set it. latter part wind hauled to the Westward with pleasant weather. broke up an old boat for fire wood. and broke out meat. L. 59.40. Long 180. W had strong gales all day yesterday. so ended

Wednesday Sept 18

All of this day light breezes from the S W. sent a fore topsail. cleared the sails out of the Cabin and stowed the run sword Lat 58.05 North

Friday Sept 20th

Commences with moderate winds from the N E with cloudy weather. ship steering S S W. latter part of the day strong gales with thick rainy weather. put the ship under close reefed main topsail. and luffed to the wind on the Northern tack. supposed to be near Behrens Island so ended

Saturday Sept 21st

The fore part of this day strong gales from the N E with rain. and a heavy sea on. pumped ship and run the L. Chain below. at 12 M. moderated down some. kept of S W and made sail. latter part wind quite moderate. hauled to the S S W. Lat 56.20 North

to the Sandwich Islands. W^m Washburn. Master
Sunday Sept 22nd 1850

The fore and middle part of this day strong winds from the S^W ship heading to the S^W. four men on the sick list so end

Lat 56.26 N, Long 174.54 East

Tuesday Sept 24th

The fore part of this day strong wind from the S^W with rain ship steering S^W by S under short sail. middle part cleared of wind hauled to the S^W. latter part wind hauled to the S^W made all sail so ends the day

Lat 55.01 North

Wednesday Sept 25th

All of this day strong winds from the N^W ship steering S^W at 12 M kept of S^W in hauling up the main sail it split way across it sent it down and bent an old foresail to the yard made all sail so ends. Lat 53.21 North

Thursday Sept 26th

The fore part of this day light wind from the N with pleasant weather. ship steering S^W. all hands employed in sending up the mizen top gallant mast. and studding sail booms. and making a new top gallant mast. ~~and~~ latter part wind hauled to the S^W. so ends. Lat 51.26 North

Friday Sept 27th

The fore part of this day light winds from the East. with rain middle part calm. ~~middle~~ latter part light breezes from N^W ship steering S^W. finished the fore top gallant mast and sent it up. so end

Saturday Sept 28th

All of this day moderate breezes from the N. ship steering ship steering S^W by E. all hands employed in sending up the fore and mizen top gallant yard and sails. set studding below and aloft. sent the p^h in and repaired it. broke out for water. and rove some new rigging so ends

Lat 49.20 North

The Ship Sam^l Robertson on her
Monday Sept 30th 1850

Commences with strong gales from the South. ship
laying under close reefed main topsail and reefed foresail
heeding to the E. thick rainy weather during the day

Tuesday Oct 1st

All of this day strong winds from the W.P.W. kept the
Ship E.S.E. at 7 A.M. and made sail. split the topmost
studding sail. hauled it in and repaired it and set it
again so ends. Lat 47.51. N. Long 176.30 East

Wednesday Oct 2nd

The fore part of this day strong winds from the
W. ship steering S.E. by S with all sail out. middle and
latter part more moderate, wind N.W. all hands employed
through the day repairing sails. Lat 45.27. Long 178.52.E

Thursday Oct 3rd

The fore part of this day light winds from the S
with rain. broke out for meat. and repaired the Pin rails
round the mainmast. latter part strong winds. put her
under close reefed topsail. heaving E.S.E. four men sick

Friday Oct 4th

All of this day strong gales from the W. ship steering
E by S under short sail Lat 42.30. N. Long 174.42 West

Saturday Oct 5th

All of this day strong breezes from the N.W. ship
steering S.E. under all sail. employed in drying bone
and heating out water Lat 40.59. Long 171.52 West

Sunday Oct 6th

The fore part of this day moderate winds from the S
ship steering E by S under all sail. the watch employed
in scraping bone. latter part wind light. hauled to the
S.W. cloudy weather so ends No Obs

passage to the Sandwich Islands. 1858

Tuesday Oct 8th

This day moderate winds from the NE with cloudy weather ship steering ESE with all drawing sail out the watch employed in repairing the old mainsail so end. No Observation

Wednesday Oct 9th

The fore part of this day moderate breezes from the ENE with rain squalls ship heading SE. the Log Tanny was taken with fits, put an end to her existence by knocking her in the head with an axe. middle and latter part strong breezes and cloudy weather, double reefed the topsails so end

Lat 36. 36 North

Thursday Oct 10th

All of this day calm and cloudy, all hands employed in repairing the mainsail, scraping bone and making spun yarn, broke out for meat and repaired the cabin stairs and so end the day. Lat 35. 59 N. Long 166. 24 West

Friday Oct 11th

The fore and middle part of this day calm. all hands employed in cleaning bone and breaking out water. latter part light winds from the SE with thick fog, ship heading ENE. so end. No Obs

Saturday Oct 12th

All of this day light winds from the SSE with pleasant weather. ship heading E. all hands employed in repairing mainsail and cleaning bone. Lat 36. 05 N. Long. 164. 25 West

Sunday Oct 13th

All of this day light airs from the SSE with pleasant weather. ship heading E. all hands having a resting spell so end

Lat 35 46. North. Long 162. 51 West

The Ship Saml Robertson on
Monday Oct 14th 1850

All of this day light airs from the S with pleasant weather. all hands employed in fitting and tarring down rigging. finished the mainsail and bend it. & sent up the main royal yard and sail. steering E S E with all sail out. so ends. Lat 35. 24. N. Long 161. 41. West

Tuesday Oct 15th

All of this day pleasant weather with fine breezes from the S W. ship heading S E by E. all hands employed on the rigging and bundling down. one ship in sight so ends. Lat 34. 45. N. Long 160. 22. West

Wednesday Oct 16th

All of this day strong winds from the S W ship steering S E. all hands employed on the rigging. spoke the ship Herald of N B the Captain came on board and got some flour and bread. took out for water, sugar, onions and meat. so ends. Lat 38. 28. N. Long 158. 54 West

Thursday Oct 17th

This day commences with strong breezes from the NW with rain squalls. ship steering S E with all sail out. middle and latter part clear. the watch to work on the rigging. Lat 31. 14. N Long 153. 22 W

Friday Oct 18th

The fore part of this day took the wind from the N E strong. ship steering S E with all sail out. the watch employed in repairing the old fore topsail and tarring down the rigging latter part strong squalls took in the fore and mizen top gallant sail. and top gallant studding sail. so ends. Lat 28. 27 North

her passage to the Sandwich Islands. 1850

Saturday 19th

The fore part of this day moderate breeze from the E ship steering S I E with all sail out. broke out the Flop Chest and disposed of a number of Sticks, the watch employed repairing the fore topsail. latter part strong wind, so we

Lat 25. 33 N. Long 155. 56 West

Sunday Oct 20th

All of this day strong winds from the E steering S I E the fore part of the day carried away the fore top gallant yard. sent it down and fished it, and repaired the sail and sent it up again. latter part steering S all Deaving sail out so we

Lat 23. 38. N Long 155. 41 West

Monday Oct 21st

The fore part of this day strong trades, saw the Island of Mowee at Day light right ahead of the ship, steering S I W. all hands employed in getting up chain and getting the anchors of the bows. at 2 P M got in the Passage. wind died away calm, down three boats and towed a spell. a light breeze sprang up from the N. pulled the boats along side. stood in and dropt anchor at 5 P M

Saturday Oct 26th

While laying here. all hands employed in cleaning ship and washing and bundling boxes. got of some wood, fruit and Potatoes. discharged one man sick. let the ship Herald of N B have some meat, flour and dried Apples and Molasses. at 5 P M took our anchor and started for Wahoo. so we 25 ships at anchor here

Sunday Oct 27th

At 7 A M come to anchor outside of Wahoo bar in 12 fathoms of water pulled the sails and the Captain went ashore. 12 ships at anchor out side, and the harbour full, so we

The Ship Sam^t Robertson laying at
Friday Nov 1st

Laying at anchor outside of the reef waiting
for a chance to get in the Harbour. a number of
ships laying of an on and a number at anchor waiting
for a chance to go in. so end



Saturday Nov 2nd

The fore part of this day light winds from the
E. called all hands at daylight and hove short
the Pilot came on board and got under weigh,
broke the flue of the S anchor in heaving it up.
came to anchor in the Harbour at 8 AM. pulled
the sails and moved ship and the S watch
went ashore on liberty, so end

Sunday Nov 3rd

The S Watch ashore on liberty. the watch aboard
employed in discharging bone to the Bark Trueman
to shippe to the U.S. so end

Tuesday Nov 4th

The S Watch ashore on liberty had a visit to day
from Mr Damon. left good advice and some papers

Wednesday Nov 5th

The S Watch ashore on liberty. the watch
aboard cleaning ship outside, so end

Thursday Nov 6th

The S Watch ashore on liberty. the watch
aboard employed in getting of water. had a large
fire ashore last night. Destroyed a lumber yard and some build

Friday Nov 8th

The S Watch ashore on liberty. the watch employed
in painting ship. four men deserted so end.

Anchor in Harbor Harbor, Sandwich Islands

Wednesday Nov 13th 1850

All hands employed in breaking out oil. to ship home
the weather hot and sultry, so end

Friday Nov 15th

All hands on board boating, had a number of rain
showers during the day. so end shipped a 2^d officer

Saturday Nov 16th

Called all hands at daylight and hove up both
anchors and warped along side of the ship. Eliza Warwick
to discharge oil. had a few rain showers during the day

Monday Nov 18th

All hands employed in breaking out oil, and stowing it
on board of the E. Warwick, had pleasant weather so end

Wednesday Nov 20th

All hands employed in trimming ship and repairing
the stern. so end

Friday Nov 22^d

Got through discharging oil. all hands employed in
in stowing of the fore hold with water casks and
other duties. so end. discharged 680 bbls of oil

Saturday Nov 23^d

All hands employed in putting ship to right. took
14 bbls of oil ashore. took our Starboard anchor in on
decks. put two men in irons for fighting so end

Monday Nov 25th

The fore part of this day took a heavy anchor to our
Starboard. from the E. Warwick. hauled it from her
and dropt anchors and moved ship. hoisted the
sails and did then. and got about ~~at~~ some
water shoals. so end

The Ship Saml Robertson Laying
Tuesday Nov 26th 1850

All hands employed in getting of water and
clearing up between decks, and setting up shooks
latter part of the day strong winds from
the Southward, so ends

Wednesday Nov 27th

The fore part of this day strong gales from
the S.W. shipped from our moorings and
came head to the wind. employed through the
day painting ship's rails inside, shipped three men

Thursday Nov 28th

The fore part of this day strong wind from the
S.W. with heavy rain showers. middle part wind
belled and hauled to the East. with light rain
hove up on our cable and moved ship again so ends

Friday Nov 29th

The fore part of this day rainy with variable winds
middle part cleared of clouds the sails and dunnage
there and set up the head rigging so ends

Saturday Nov 30th

All of this day rainy with variable winds
the L Watch ashore on liberty. 8 men deserted altogether

Sunday Dec 1st

All of this day a heavy rain storm with
variable winds and squalls. so ends

Monday Dec 2nd

All of this day fine pleasant weather
The L Watch ashore on liberty. shipped
5 natives. so ends

at Anchor in Harbor Harbor. Honolulu. I. I.
Tuesday Dec 2nd 1858

All of this day pleasant weather with light airs from the S. all hands on board what there is left. employed in making a Jib boom and fitting rigging soars

Thursday Dec 5th

All of this day employed in fitting Jib boom and sending it out. had a rain shower the latter part of the day

Friday Dec 6th

All of this day pleasant weather with light airs from the E. all hands employed in setting up the head rigging and repairing the Jib Jib and making preparations for sea. catches one of our deserters and put him in the Fort

Saturday Dec 7th

Called all hands at daylight and unmoored the ship. took the L Anchor on the bow and got ready for sea. discharged one boat stern and two foremast hands. at 4 P.M. the Pilot came aboard to get under weigh. hove up our S Anchor and mast headed our Topsails. while we was getting ready. the wind died away to a calm, dropt our anchor under foot and furled our sails, and secured her for the night. so ends

Sunday

Sunday Dec 8th

Called all hands at daylight and hove up anchor. The Pilot came on board with the Captain. and got under weigh with a light wind from the NE. the Captains of the Ships Luminary and Bazaar and board to keep us company. after we got out of the Harbours ship. stered west. latter part of the day light baffling winds. the two Captains went on board of their own ships. so Adieu to Honolulu.

The Ship Saml Robertson bound
Monday Dec 9th 1850

All of this day moderate breezes from the N^E
ship steering to the Westward. latter part of the
day passed the Islands of Attu and Anahwa
all hands employed in getting boats ready for
whaling, gamed with the Luminary. so ended
Tuesday Dec 10th

All of this day moderate winds from the
E, ship on the wind heading to the Southward, the
watch employed on the rigging, gamed with the Luminary
Thursday Dec 12th

All of this day strong winds from the E N^E
ship steering S S E in company with the Luminary
the watch making spun yarn. Lat 16.07 North.
Saturday Dec 14th

The fore part of this day strong breezes from
the E N^E ship steering S by E under double reef
topsails. latter part more moderate, made sail, the
Luminary in company, so ended Lat 10.40 N. Long 159.20 West
Sunday Dec 15th

All of this day strong breezes from the E with squalls
of wind and rain, ship under double reefed topsails
in company with the Luminary steering S S East
Monday Dec 16th

All of this day strong winds from the E with
squally weather. ship on the wind heading to the
Southward. the watch employed in various duties
myself repairing breakers. latter part gamed
with the Luminary so ended the day
Lat 5.56 North

to New Zealand. W^m Washburn Master
Tuesday Dec 17th 1850

Land
All of this day moderate breezes from the ESE with
rain squalls. ship steering S. middle part clear. kept off
for Farmings Island bearing SN. at 4 P.M. saw the land
6 miles distant. heaved to the wind. took in top gallant sail
spoke the Luminauy. and both ships steered to the Southward.

Lat 4.20 North

Wednesday Dec 18th

All of this day strong winds from the E. ship steering
S. under whole topsail. employed in fitting a new boat
myself repairing beakers. so ends Lat 2.02 North

Thursday Dec 19th 1850

This day moderate breezes from the ESE ship on
the wind heading to the Southward. employed in building
a forge and painting the Jib boom. myself repairing
beakers. latter part gamed with the Luminauy
so ends the day Lat 00 28. South

Friday Dec 20th

All of this day moderate breezes from the ESE ship
on the Southern tack. all hands employed in repairing
the Main Topsail. the Blacksmith and myself
busy. the L in sight. so ends Lat 2.58. South

Saturday Dec 21st

All of this day light winds from the ESE ship
on the wind heading to the Southern with all sail
out. all hands employed in setting up the head
rigging and repairing the main topsail. myself
setting up water shooks. the Luminauy in company
so ends the day Lat 5.28. South

The Ship Saml Robertson on her
Monday Dec 23rd 1850

All of this day light winds from the N ship steering S E by S with all sail out. all hands employed in setting up rigging, myself setting up shooks, latter part spoke the ship. Lummery and altered our course to S S E, sound, Lat 8. 40 South

Tuesday Dec 24th

All of this day strong breezes from the N. to N W with cloudy weather. ship steering S in company with the Lummery. all hands to work on the rigging and breaking out and regulating the after hatch myself setting up shooks. sound. No Obs


Wednesday Dec 25th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the N West with rain squalls. ship under double reefed topsails steering S. middle and latter part calm with rain squalls. the Captain making irons and my humble self making breakers. the Lummery in sight

Thursday Dec 26th

All of this day light baffling winds with rain squalls ship working to the Southward. myself to work between decks making ryers. the Skipper making toggle irons. the Lummery in company. sound

Friday Dec 27th

 The fore part of this day calms and pleasant weather. myself making ryers. latter sent down the foresail and sent up another and bent it. latter part light airs from the N W. ship heading S. in company with the Lummery. catches a Dolphin sound
Lat 14. 44. South

Passage to New Zealand. W^m Washburn Master
Monday Dec 20th 1850

The fore part of this day light breezes from the S^W ship.
on the Southern tack with all sail out, saw a ship
standing to the Northward, all hands employed in fitting
rigging and repairing the foresail. myself making eyes
middle and latter part wind S^E. ship heading S^W. in
company with the Luminary. Look out for meat sounds
Lat 17. 43. S

Lam { Tuesday Dec 31st

All of this day fine breezes from the S^E. ship.
steering S^W by W. at 10 AM saw the Island of Hytotoke
right ahead. at 1 PM got within 3 miles of it. come to the
wind with the main gear aback. the Captain took
some cloth and Tobacco and went ashore to trade for fruit
latter part come aboard with a boat load of Pine Apples,
Oranges, Bananas, and some ducks. kept the ship at
S^W. the Luminary in company. saw a ship standing
to the Southward Lat 18. 32. S. Long 159. 40 West

Wednesday Jan 1st 1851

The New Year comes in with fine breezes and pleasant
from the S^E ship. steering S^W under easy sail
to keep company with the Luminary the watch
employed in painting the lower mast and making spun
yarn. myself making eyes. Lat 20. 12 S Long 162. 28 West

Thursday Jan 2nd

All of this day fine breezes from the S^E ship. steering
S^W under easy sail. the Luminary in company. sent
down the main top gallant sail and repaired and
sent it up again. Look out for Coffee. myself
making eyes. sounds the ship

Lat 21. 42 South

Long 164. 53 West

The Ship Saml. Robertson on her
Friday Jan 3rd 1851

All of this day fine breezes from the S E
ship steering S W under all sail. spoke
the Lunningy. the Captain went aboard and
spent the day with Captain Porter he
being sick. myself making spars. send
Lat 22.49. S. Long 167.23 West

Saturday Jan 4th

All of this day moderate breezes from the
S E ship steering S W under all sail. the
Captain on board of the Lunningy. the
watch employed in ship's duty. broke out for
meat and bread. myself making spars. send
Lat 24.34. S. Long 169.23 West

Sunday Jan 5th

All of this day strong wind from the N E
ship steering S W under all sail in company
with the Lunningy. myself setting up shrouds
latter part bent main topsail and foremast
took in topmast studding sail and main Royal
no end
Lat 27.12 S Long 173.40 W

Tuesday Jan 6th

The fore part of this day moderate breezes
from the E ship steering S W. took the
Starboard boat in on Deck. the Carpenter
employed in repairing her. myself setting up
shrouds. latter part strong breezes. sprung the
fore top gallant gun. took in top gallant
sails and single reefed the ^{mizen} topsail. the
Lunningy a long ways astern trying to catch
us. the weather thick and hazy send
Lat 28.56. S. Long 176.59 West

Passage to New Zealand. W^m Washburn Master.
Wednesday Jan 8th

The fore part of this day calm with rainy weather
a heavy cross sea on. Double reefed the topsails, middle
part clear of. a light breeze sprang up from the West
Ship. made sail and steered S by West. latter
part sent down the Fore Topsail and sent up
another. split the mainsail and repaired it, and
put the S Boat on the cranes. so ends the day

Lat 30. 40 South. Long 177. 31 West
Thursday Jan 9th

All of this day light breezes from the West ship.
on the Southern tack. nothing in sight but the
Luminy. the watch making spur gear myself.
setting up shrouds. sent down the Fore top gallant
gear and painted the S Boat Lat 32. 20. Long 178. 19

Friday Jan 10th

All of this day moderate breezes from the W P W ship. heading
S. the Carpenter making a fore top gallant yard myself to
work on shrouds. saw a ship. steering N E. latter part saw
white water. so end Lat 33. 48. South

Saturday Jan 11th

All of this day moderate winds from the W P W ship. steering
S. the Carpenter repairing the Cabin sky light myself to
work on shrouds. saw a school of Grampins. lowered and
chased suppose them to be sperm whales. Lat 35. 38. Long 178. 3

Sunday Jan 12th

The fore part of this day moderate breezes from the W P W ship.
steering S W by W. the Captain went on board of the Luminy
and spent the day. latter part strong wind the weather
looked windy. put the ship under double reefed topsails
saw a ship. heading to the Southern and
Lat 36. 40 South. Long 179. 03 West

Ship Sam Robertson. Making
Monday Jan 13th 1854

Commenced with strong breezes from the West, the watch employed in repairing the fore top gallant sail and making new Staysail Whips. myself setting up shrouds. latter part strong gales from the W. N. W. laying to under double reefed main topsail, the Luminary in company Lat 33.35 S. Long 159 1. E

Tuesday Jan 14th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the Western, at daylight saw Cape East bearing W. N. W. ship, and the wind heading to the S. middle part moderate down made sail wind hauled to W. N. W. tacked ship, and stood in toward the Land. the Captain went on board of the Luminary, saw two sail, latter part ship steering along the Land to the N. W. myself unwell, took an Emetic, and felt better after it so end

Wednesday Jan 15th

The fore part of this day moderate breezes from the W. middle and latter part blowed strong. shortened sail, laying off and on shore at Cape East, waiting for good weather, to get some recruits. the Luminary in company, so end

Thursday Jan 16th

The fore part of this day moderate breezes from the W. N. W. ship stood in to the Cape and the Captain went ashore with two boats to get some Potatoes, staid till night and came aboard with a few onions, Potatoes not ripe, the latter part blowed strong, stood off shore under short sail, bound to Auckland. for wood & water and men, took a Pilot of the Coast with us. so end

Passage to New Zealand 1851

Saturday Jan 18th 1851

All of this day light winds from the S.W. ship steering W.N.W. with all sail out. Lost sight of the Lumber sent up the fore top gallant yard and sail and broke out for molasses and meat, myself setting up shooks.

Sunday Jan 19th 1851

All of this day light winds from the E. with fine pleasant weather, ship steering W by S & S under all sail, saw one ship steering to the Northward. latter part saw the land distant 12 Leagues behind the chain on decks and bent the anchor and got the Harbor Anchor of the bow. Lat 36.00 S. Long 176.20 East

Monday Jan 20th

The fore and middle part of this day light winds from the W.N.W. ship working up to Barrier Island with all sail, myself setting up shooks. latter part moderate breeze from the S.W. ship working up Auckland Bay so ends the day

Tuesday Jan 21st

The fore part of this day light winds from the S.W. ship on the wind working to the S. at 10 A.M. wind hauled to the Northward ship steering S at 12 M the Pilot came on board. at 2 P.M. the ship came to anchor in Auckland Bay furled the sail and cleared decks. the Custom House Officers, the Consul and a number of other Gentlemen came on board.

Wednesday Jan 22^d

This day all hands employed in breaking out the After hatch, and Coopering Provisions, sent ashore a raft of Casks for water. latter part of the day the S. water went ashore so ends

Ship Sam Robertson at Anchor
Thursday Jan 23rd 1851

Called all hand at Day light and sent a boat
in for liberty men, got of a raft of water and
stowed it down, employed in Coopers meat
latter part the watch went ashore, so end

Friday Jan 24th

all hand employed through the day in stowing
down meat and getting of water, took aboard
25 Tons of board. latter part the L watch went ashore

Saturday Jan 25th Sunday

The fore part of this day nearly all hand
got ready and went ashore on liberty. at 9
AM had a fine view of the Soldiers as they
marched to Church, accompanied by a large band
which played some excellent music, and
made a fine appearance, at 10 AM a small
party of us chartered an Omnibus and took
a ride about 12 miles in the County. at
5 PM got back in town all right side up
with care, so end.

Sunday Jan 26th

The fore part of this day all hand come aboard
sent a raft ashore and got of some water
and commenced painting ship and fitting
two boats for the Regatta which comes of to
morrow in commemoration of the 11th anniversary
of the Colony. which there will be a great boat
race. latter part had a trial with the W. boat
Alias, Sam Slick, and pulled against time.
pulled 6 miles in 28 minutes part of the
way against a strong head wind. sun down
the L watch went ashore scene

in Auckland, New Zealand, 1851

Monday Jan 27th

All of this day employed in stowing ware and men and painting ship. got a raft of water. sent ashore a cask of Flour and a lot of Tobacco, and clean decks ready for company to morrow. latter part of the day lowered the two boats, the Sam Slick and Dan Tucker and pulled about two miles against one another they both come in together. all hands in high glee.

Tuesday Jan 28th

The fore part of this day washed ship. rigged up. Remains. hauled the guns to the gang way and got all ready to receive company from the shore, at 8 AM hoisted the Colors fore and aft. and in a short time the decks of the Sam was filled with ~~Ladies and Gentlemen~~ Ladies and Gentlemen, at 10 AM the races commenced, for all boats under 25 Tons. sailing or pulling. there was not a breath of air to ruffle the water, and the Flogg Ship was surrounded with boats. the largest boats started first, next come the whole boats. four in number. all started together at the signal of the gun. the distance was to the Flogg boat station about 4 miles from the Flogg Ship. and back again. the distance performed in 30 minutes by Sam Slick. who come in 1/2 mile ahead. Dan Tucker 2nd best. the sailing boats it took the whole day to perform their distance, all other pulling boat come in in good time, at 3 PM while in the act of firing a salute, by some mismanagement the Gun exploded while loading. and shot one mans hand off and broke his arm the one that was tenderly vent had his eye injured by the Powder, and another one had his ear slightly wounded the man that lost his hand was taken to the Hospital when he will be taken care of, and a subscription raised for him. so end

Ship Sam Robertson laying at
Wednesday Jan 29th 1851

To day employed in clearing up between decks
and stowing water, sent a raft of 12 Casks ashore
two men that was hurt went ashore to see the Dock

Thursday Jan 30th

The most of this Day strong breezes from
the West with rain sent a raft ashore
for water. the latter part of the Day cleared up
and moderated. the Captain shipped some men
the L Watch went ashore. so ends

Friday Jan 31st

All of this day fine weather. hoke out 42
lbs of Polar oil to go ashore. got a subscription
up for the man that lost his hands and got
about £20 from the ships company. took aboard
800 weight of Hoop Iron and sent ~~ashore~~
ashore 4 Casks for water. so ends

Saturday Jan, Feb 1st

The fore part of this Day all hand employed in
getting of water. after breakfast. most of the crew
went ashore to Church. had a number of
Ladies and gentlemen aboard to day to look at the ship

Sunday Feb 2nd

This Day clearing up Decks and getting ready for
sea. sent ashore 42 lbs of oil. took aboard 10 Tons
of wood and shipped some men. the man
that was so seriously hurt. they think will recover
he was a young man about 20 years old. he was
left here from a man of war sick. as he was nearly
well he had the privilege of coming aboard of us
to see the race. while firing the salute he was
assisting us. when the gun exploded. which ruined him
for life. so ends

Anchor in Auckland, New Zealand,
Monday Feb 3rd 1841

This morning got all hands aboard 36 men all told. and from
short. the Custom House Officer took his leave. at 9 o'clock
the Pilot came on board with the Captain and got under
weigh with a fine breeze from the Westward. and steered of
to the Eastward, bound to Cape East for Potatoes. got clear of
the bay the Pilot left. stowed the Anchors and chose the
boats and bid farewell to Auckland. spoke the Enterprise
of Nantucket bound in to Auckland. so ended the day

Monday Feb 10th

Since last date had strong wind from the Westward
ship knocking about the Cape most of the time waiting
for a chance to land with the boats. to day the wind to
the Southward with good weather. ship laying off and on in
the Bay of Plenty with all four boats getting of Potatoes
and Onions. got of about 10 tons of both. and some Hogs
stowed of shore under short sail. so ended

Tuesday Feb 11th

All of this day ship laying off and on in the Bay of Plenty
all four boats employed getting of Potatoes and Onions
had strong wind from the West. latter part wind
light made all sail to work of shore. got aboard 20
Tons of Potatoes and Onions. and a number of Hogs

Wednesday Feb 12th

The fore part of this day light airs from the E S E
stowed in for the land at 9 o'clock lowered two boats and
put in a Cask of Brandy and some Lumber and Tow line
and went ashore. at 2 P.M. the Captain came on board
and brought some Pigs and fowl and a Goat. made
all sail and bid farewell to the Land of Potatoes
latter part of the day blowed heavy. put her under close
reefed main Tapsail. ship heading S E so ended

Ship Sam Robertson Making passage
Thursday Feb 13th 1851

All of this day fine pleasant weather with
light airs from the N ship. steering E under all
sail. the watch employed in cutting over Potatoes
and Onions. broke out for Sugar and Flour, latter
part killed a Hog. so end

Monday Feb 17th

All of this day light airs and variables since
last date made light airs from the NW ship.
steering E by N. to day broke out and bent a new
main Topsail. and Mizen Topsail and Mainmast
and Fly Jib. so end Lat 36.33. S Long 169.53 West

Tuesday Feb 18th

All of this day strong breezes from the West
ship. steering East under all sail. myself employed
in making riggers. the Captain making tuggle cross
saw a school of killers. Lat 36.40 Long 167.32 West

Friday Feb 21st

All of this day light breezes from the N ship. steering
N by E under all sail. the watch employed in repairing
the old main Topsail, latter part of the day sent
down the Fore Topsail and sent up another, myself
and the Blacksmith hauled at it so end the day Lat 31.57

Monday Feb 24th

All of this day strong breezes from the East
ship. steering N by E with all sail out. the
watch employed in picking over Onions. myself
making brackets. a Jarbo put on the Sugar
had it expelled from the table and Molasses
taken in its room. so ends the day

Lat 25. 20 South

Long 169. 20 West

to the Arctic Ocean. 1861

Land

Wednesday Feb 26th

The fore part of this day the Island of Karatonga in sight bearing NW distance 4 Leagues. had a strong wind from the E. ran down to it and went ashore with two boats after fruit. bought of Oranges and Pine Apples and Bananas. at 4 P.M. the Captain came on board, made all sail and steered N by W Lat 21.26. S. Long 160. 16. West

Land

Thursday Feb 27th

all of this day pleasant weather with fine breezes from the S.E. ship steering NNW. At 10 A.M. saw the Island of Mylatooke right ahead. at 1 P.M. got up to it, took in topsail studding sail, and huffed to the wind 2 miles of shore, lowered two boats and the Captain went ashore, got Oranges, Pine Apples, Coconuts, and limes, some Pigs and Fowl. latter part came aboard and kept of North made all sail, saw

Lat 19. 02 S. Long 169. 40 West

Monday March 3rd

all of this day strong breezes from the N with squally rainy weather ship beating to the Northward Mrs Betsey Baker was delivered of seven fine looking Pigs. so ends

Thursday March 6th

The fore and middle part of this day light airs from the NNE the watch employed in breaking out the water tanks and getting them on deck, had them fitted and put below. latter part of the day light wind from the ESE with rain squalls. ship steering N with all drawing sail out so ends

Lat 13. 44 South

Ship Sam Robertson Making
Monday March 10th 1851

All of this day pleasant weather with fine
breezes from the E. ship steering NW all drawing
sail out. all hands employed in fitting and
tarring down rigging and making spun yarn
so ends

Lat 8. 31. S. Long 160. 38 West

Tuesday March 11th

All of this day moderate breezes from the
Norther ship steering NW by W all hands
employed on rigging, painting the L Boat and
broke out for meat. Lat 6. 19. S. Long. 162. 36 W

Thursday March 13th

Commences with strong gales from the NE
ship steering NW by N. the watch employed in
ripping up old sails. Lat 1. 19. S. Long 166. 45 W

Saturday March 15th

all of this day strong winds from the NE ship.
steering NW by N under all sail; broke out for flour
so ends the day Lat 4. 10 N. Long 168. 43. West

Monday March 17th

all of this day strong wind from the NE
ship heading NW under double reefed topsail
had rain during the night and all of the fore
part of the day. Lat 8. 51. N. Long 165. 45 West

Thursday March 20th

All of this day strong winds from the
NE ship steering NW under short sail
broke out for meat and water. and ripping
up old sails. so ends the day

Lat 14. 43.

Long 175. 08 West

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Friday March 21st

All of this day moderate breezes from the N^E ship steering NW with all sail out. the watch employed in repairing old sails. so ends Lat 16.13 N Long 178.23

Saturday March 22nd

All of this day moderate winds from the E ship steering NW under all sail. the watch employed in repairing old sails. the Captain making a pair of swifts and myself turning belaying pins. so ends

Lat 18.34. Long 178.42. West

Sunday March 23rd

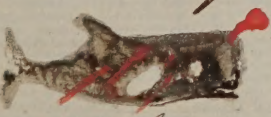
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Lat 21.54. North Long 175.51 East

Monday March 24th

All of this day strong winds from the E with cloudy weather. ship steering NW under double reef topsails. the watch employed in repairing the old mainsail the Captain making a pair of Swifts so ends N. Obs.

Tuesday March 25th

 All of this day light variable winds, with a few rain squalls. the watch to work on the old mainsail and rattring down the topmast rigging. latter part saw a school of Black Fish, lower four Boats, the Waist Boat struck and got one took him along side and hauled him in. ship working to the Northen so ends

Wednesday March 26th

All of this day strong winds from the E ship steering N under double reef topsails. sent down the main top gallant sail and repaired it. sent down the Fore and Mizzen top gallant yards so ends. Lat 26.58. N Long 173.11 East

Ship Sam Robertson Making

Friday March 28th 1851

All of this day light airs from the S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering N. took our Potatoes on deck and piked them over and drying them nothing in sight, so ends. Lat 28.37. N.

Saturday March 29th

All of this day light airs from the E.S.E. ship steering N.W. the watch employed in boiling Black fish, and cutting over Potatoes, saw two Hump Backs so ends the day. Lat 30.06 Long 173.51 E.


Sunday March 30th

Commences with strong breezes from the E.S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering N.W. sent in the Fly Jib, killed two Pigs and a large Hog. Latter part moderate gales from the S. with thick weather, shortened sail to it and steered North, so ends. Lat 32.17 N. Long 174.57 East

Monday March 31st

All of this day strong gales from the N.W. called all hands last night in a heavy squall and put her under close reefed main topsail. ship on the Northern tack. the fore part of this day set the fairsail, the Carpenter employed in putting up a partition in the Cabin. killed a Hog and got a plenty more left. Latter part wore ship so ends. Lat 33.31. Long 175.57 East

Tuesday April 1st

 All of this day strong winds from the E.N.E. ship heading to the N. saw a school of Black Fish. lowered four boats and chased three boats got fast. drew from two and the W Boat saved one. Latter part hove out for Butter, Sea, Dried Apples, Fish, Vinegar & Molasses. the Carpenter fitting the Cabin. so ends. Lat 34.07

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Wednesday April 2nd

The fore part of this day strong winds from the S.E. ship steering North under close reefed topsails and foresail latter part of the day more moderate, the watch employed in various duties, the Carpenter fitting the Cabin the Blacksmith making Spikes. Killed two Hogs and got a few more left

Lat 36. 06 North

Thursday April 3rd

All of this day moderate breezes from the N.W. ship heading N.E. the watch employed in boiling Black Fish myself fitting Barrells. latter part saw two fin backs shorten sail and wore ship. so end

Lat 37. 13 North

Friday April 4th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the N.E. ship under double reefed topsails steering N. the watch employed in repairing old sails. the latter part of the day moderate gales from the S.E. with rain took in the fore and mizen topsails and close reefed the main topsail steering N.W. by N. Lat 38. 21, Killed 4 Hogs

Saturday April 5th

The fore part of this day light winds from the W.S.W. set the fore and mizen topsails double reefed and let middle part blow strong took in the fore and mizen topsails. latter part more moderate set double reef topsails again. the watch employed in ripping up an old fore topsail myself setting up shooks. ship heading N.W. by N. so end the day No Obs

Sunday April 6th

The fore part of this day light breezes from the N.E. made all sail middle part blew strong with fine rain latter part wind S.E. ship steering N.W. took in mainsail and 2nd so end No Obs

Ship Sam Robertson Making
Monday April 7th 1851

The fore part of this day strong gales from the WNW ship, laying to under close reefed Main Topsail. latter part of the day more moderate and cloudy. set the Foresail and close reefed Mizzen Topsail. ship heading to the Northward. put up the stove in the Cabin and killed three Hogs. so ends our cold day

Lat 41. 37. N. Long 176. 64 East

Tuesday April 8th

The fore part of this day moderate wind from the S.E. set whole topsails and steered N.W. myself employed in setting up shooks. middle part blown on ground strong. doubled reefed the Topsails, latter part blown heavy from the West. come to the wind heading to the Southern under close reefed Main Topsail saved

Lat 42. 40 North

Wednesday April 9th

All of this day strong gales from the West ship. on the Southern tack, laying to under close reefed Main Topsail. employed in making a Boat sail. latter part killed three Hogs. so ends Lat 42. 33 North

Thursday April 10th

The fore part of this day calm, made all sail myself employed in setting up shooks. middle part strong gales from the S.E. put her under close reefed Main Topsail, and steered N.W. by N. the weather come in thick and rainy at 5 P.M. come to the wind on the Starboard tack and took in the Main Topsail. and lay to under the foot of the Main Spencer, it blowing very heavy, at 6 P.M. shipped a heavy Sea and stove in some of the bulworks and stove the bow boat, the wind howl to S.W. wore ship. so ends

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Friday April 11th

The fore and middle part of this day blowing very heavy from the West, ship making bad weather of it. rolled the bow Boat under and broke the bow Davit. at 10 A.M. set the main Topsail close reefed and the Topmast Staysail, and wore ship heading to the Northward. took the bow Boat in on deck. latter part the gale broke and the weather more moderate. killed three Hogs so end the day.

Saturday April 12th

The fore and middle part of this day light winds from West, made all sail and steered to the Northward. the watch employed in breaking out water and meat, the Carpenter, Blacksmith and myself employed in repairing damages done in the late gale. latter part wind N. with cloudy weather wore ship. and heading to the Westward. killed two Hogs, so end

Lat 44.00 North

Sunday April 13th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the West ship heading N.W. middle part moderate gales, put the ship under close reefed main Topsail, latter part blowed strong with light snow squalls, wore ship and headed to the Southward so end the day.

Monday April 14th 1851

The fore part of this day strong breezes from the West set double reefed Topsails, foresail and gill the watch employed in filling casks with salt water in the fore hold to trim ship. middle part wind hauled to the South with rain blowing strong, took in the Jib and Fore and Mizzen Topsail. ship steering N.W. by W. killed two Hogs and wore new wheel ropes, latter part strong gales took in the foresail and come to the wind under close reefed main Topsail. the weather thick and rainy, so end

Ship Sam Robertson Making
Tuesday April 15th 1851

The fore and middle part of this day strong gales from the NW ship laying to under close reefed main Topsail. latter part more moderate with light snow squalls so ends. Lat 45.08 Long 175.45 East

Wednesday April 16th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the North set double reef Topsails and foresail and jib. the latter part quite moderate set the mainsail and whole main Topsail, ship steering West. the Carpenter employed in making a wooden stove Pipe so ends

Lat 44.42 Long 175.10 East

Thursday April 17th

The fore part of this day calm. middle and latter part light winds from the SE ship steering NW with all sail out. employee in repairing Bulwarks and painting the Bow and Waist Boat and fitting the Tress Band on the Fore Yard. bent the Fly Jib and so ends the day. Lat 44.40 N. Long 174.06

Friday April 18th

Commences with strong gales from the SE with thick rainy weather ship steering NW under close reefed main Topsail. middle part more moderate set the Foresail. latter part wind hauled to the SW and blowed strong, with clear weather. took in the Foresail and come to the wind on the Southern tack, so ends. No Ob

Saturday April 19th

The fore and middle part of this day heavy gales from the Westward. ship laying to under close reefed main Topsail on the Northern tack. the wheel got adrift and broke two spokes out of it. latter part of the day more moderate set the Staysail and main Spencer. Lat 46.42.

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Sunday April 20th 1851

All of this day moderate gales from the WSW with thick weather ship heading NW, under close reefed Main Topsail and Foresail and Main Spinnaker, so ends the Sabbath. No Ob

Monday April 21st

The fore part of this day strong winds from the S. set close reefed Fore and Mizzen Topsails and Foresail and stern WNW, the weather thick and rainy, middle part however strong gales from the SW took in the Fore and Mizzen Topsails and Foresail and sent down the Main Top Gallant Yard. the Barometer down to 28 and to the weather clear, latter part the wind WNW with a snow squall. Lat 48. 28. N. Long 170. 55 East

Tuesday April 22nd

All of this day moderate gales from the NW with cloudy weather ship laying to under close reefed Main Topsail Topmast stay sail and Main Spinnaker. exchanged signals with an English Bark, so ends the day

Wednesday April 23rd

All of this day, moderate breezes from the SSW, set whole Topsail and Mainmast and jib and steer NW by N. spoke the Ship Oley of London and gamen with her, took out for meat and Bread and Molasses. so ends

Thursday April 24th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the SE with thick rainy weather, middle part moderate gales put her under close reef Main Topsail and Foresail. latter part strong gales from the NW took in the Foresail and luffed to the wind, one sail in sight. so ends

Friday April 25th

All of this day strong gales from the SW with snow squalls, ship laying to under close reef Main Topmast
one sail in sight. so ends Lat 50. 57 North
Long 169. 15 East

Ship San Robertson Making
Saturday April 26th 1841

All of this day strong winds from the S W
ship steering N N W under close reef Main Topsail
and Foresail. the weather cloudy. No Observation

Sunday April 27th

Commenced with strong breezes from the
W. set the Jib and mainsail and whole
Fore Topsail. sent down the Main Topsail and
sown in some reef points, and sent up again, middle
part saw bright Whales. lowered three Boats and
chased three hours without success, come aboard
kept the ship N N E. latter part saw more Whales
lowered and chased did not get on, come aboard
and took in sail, and set quarter boats. the wind
light from the S S W. Lat 53.15 N. Long 168.52 East

Monday April 28th

All of this day strong gales from the East. the
middle and latter part thick snow storm. the weather
very cold and disagreeable. ship lay to on the Southern
tack under close Main Topsail. go and No Obs

Tuesday April 29th

All of this day strong winds from the E ship, laying
to on the Southern tack under close reef Main Topsail
hoke out for water and meat. and set up the Mizzen topmast
stays and done some few jobs in the rigging. latter part
spoke the Ship, Elizabeth of Havre sojourn

Lat 53.31 N. Long 168.21 E

Wednesday April 30th

All of this day strong winds from the East ship, heading
to the North under close reef Main and Mizzen Topsail
and Foresail. the weather cloudy with frequent snow
squalls. latter part wore ship, and stood to the Southern

Passage to the Arctic Ocean

Thursday May 1st 1851

Commences with moderate winds from the N.E. made all sail and wore ship and stood the Northern. middle part came in thick with snow squalls and strong breeze. doubled reefed the Topsails and took in Jib and Mainsail. split the Jib and sent it in and sent out another. latter part wore ship and stood to the Eastward. so ends

Lat 54. 03. Long 167. 38.

Friday May 2nd

Commences with strong winds from the N. set the Jib and Mainsail. ship heading N.W. middle part quite moderate set whole main Topsail. saw ^{Cherry} Copper Island bearing N. distance 30 miles. latter part wind hauled to the N.W. with strong wind, wore ship and stood to the Northern. the Land about 15 miles off. on the weather bow, one sail in sight. had frequent snow squalls during the day.

Lat 54. 25. N. Long 165. 48. East

Saturday May 3rd

All of this day moderate breezes from the N.W. with frequent snow squalls ship steering East. with all sail out at 2 P.M. passed the S.E. point of Copper Island bearing North distance 2 miles. and huffed to the wind heading N.E. latter part saw a Wright Whale going quick to the windward. killed a large Hog and so ends the day

Lat 54. 31 North

Long 167. 42 East

Sunday May 4th

All of this day light winds from the Northern. with pleasant weather. ship on the wind with the Larboard tacks aboard. sent up the main Top gallant yard and sail. sent down the Mainsail and bent an old one. so ends the Sabbath.

Lat 54. 50 North

Long 168. 58. East

The Ship Sam Robertson, in the Sea
Monday May 5th 1851

All of this day strong winds from the NW ship
heading NE under double reef topsails. one ship in
sight. latter part set in thick snow squall. so end
Lat 55-15 North

Tuesday May 6th

Commences with moderate breezes from the N
made all sail. saw a right whale lowered their
Boats and chased and galled. come aboard and stowed
on the Western tack. spoke the Ship Mass of Hare
and the Captain went aboard and spent the day
saw another ship to the windward of us. broke out for
meat and water. so end, Cloudy No Observation

Wednesday May 7th

All of this day moderate winds from the N. ship
working to the Northern with all sail out the watch
employed in getting the cutting blocks and guys aloft
and other duties, the Carpenter making a new Sarrit, one
ship in sight. latter part thick snow squalls. so end
Lat 55.56 North

Thursday May 8th

All of this day moderate winds from the Northern
the fore part of the day thick snow squalls the middle
part quite pleasant. broke out for Bread, and put the Row
Boat on the cranes, and broke up the slop chest. latter part
of the day cloudy. ship working to the Northern under whole topsails
so end, one sail in sight. Lat 56.41. N. Long 170.00 E

Friday May 9th

All of this day light winds from the NE saw Polar Whales
a number of times during the day. lowered four Boats and
chased. did not get on. saw two ships whaling. latter part saw
the coast of Kamtschatka bearing WNW. ship heading to the East
so end No Observation

of Kamtschatka looking for Bow Heads
Saturday May 10th 1851



All of this day calm, saw a
gam of Bow Heads in the morning
lowered four boats and chased, the

Captain took the L Boat the 1st Mate being sick. the
bow Boat went on to one whale and did not fasten, the
L Boat ^{went} on and struck, and turned him up four miles from
the ship, got him along side at 2¹/₂ P.M. got dinner and
commenced cutting got through at 7 P.M. shortened sail, got supper
and set the watch, one ship in sight, Lat 57.17. Long 169.10 E

Sunday May 11th



All of this day calm, saw a Wright whale
in the morning, lowered four boats and
chased, and the Captain struck in the

L Boat, turned him up and got him along side at 11 A.M.
and commenced cutting, got through at 5 P.M. cleared decks
got supper and set the watch and commenced boiling, two
ships in sight, only a boiling, Lat 57.16. Long 169.16. E

Monday May 12th



The fore part of this day light airs from the NW
saw three whales, lowered four boats and chased, all
going quick to the N.E. the middle and latter part of the day
calm, all hands employed in boiling and cleaning down
three ships in sight, Lat 57.30. Long 169.43. East

Tuesday May 13th

All of this day light breezes from the NW with pleasant
weather, the watch employed in boiling, saw the ship
Eric of Fair Haven cutting a whale, the Captain
went on board and got some letters, three more
ships in sight, saw two whales going quick to the
North did not chase, so ends

Ship Sam Robertson Cruising
Wednesday May 14th 1851

All of this day light variable winds. ship working to the North with all sail out. the watch employed in boiling and breaking out the Fore Hold preparing to stow oil. saw a bright whale lower and chased him off the ground. latter part had a thick snow squall. Lat 52.53, Long 170.42

Thursday May 15th

Commences with moderate breezes from the North ship on the Eastern tack. the watch employed in boiling. one ship in sight, latter part blowed strong from the N.W. took in the main top gallant sail and double reefed the Fore and Mizen Topsail. so end the day Lat 58.09. Long 173.07 E.

Friday May 16th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the N ship on the Eastern tack. got through boiling at 1 P.M. and set the mainsail. all hands employed through the day stowing down oil. latter part wind hauled to the W.N.W. ship heading to the North, one sail in sight. set quarter watches so end. Lat 52.31 Long 175.44. East

Saturday May 17th

All of this day light winds from the West ship heading North with all sail out. all hands employed in stowing down oil breaking out between Decks. latter part took in the mainsail and set quarter watches. so end Lat 59.05. Long 176.48 East

Sunday May 18th

All of this day moderate winds from the S.E. with thick weather ship steering N.W. by N. all hands employed in breaking out between Decks and stowing of. latter part spoke the ship Coral. of N.B. and the Arab of F.H. and the Elizabeth of Havre and had a gun. shortened sail and set the watch so end.

for Polar Whales or Bow Heads
Monday May 19th

Commences with light winds from the ENE called all hands at daylight and made sail, and steered. N. sent up the Fore and Mizen top gallant yard. myself employed in setting up shooks. 12 ships in sight. at 12 o'clock saw the ice, run close to it and took ship and stood to the South. Latter part strong breeze took in top gallant sails and Fly jib so ends the day. Lat 61. 18. N. Long 178. 14. East

Tuesday May 20th

All of this day strong winds from the SE with thick fog and snow. ship under short sail heading to the South. one of the foremast hands sick took him in the Cabin and bled him, so ends the day.

Wednesday May 21st

All of this day moderate winds from the East. made all sail and steered West, the fore and middle part thick snow storm. latter part thick fog, come to the wind heading SSE took in the Foresail and Main sail and Top Gallant Sail. so ends

Thursday May 22nd

All of this twenty four hours light winds from the ESE with thick weather. ship working to the Eastward under all sail. myself employed in Coopersing. Latter part shortened sail and set quarter watches. so ends

Friday May 23rd

The fore and middle part of this day strong winds from the ESE. doubled reefed the Topsails. the weather thick and rainy. the latter part of the day quite moderate with thick fog wind SE ship heading ENE. made sail. myself employed in fitting old shooks. between decks. so ends this day. hove out for meat.

Ship Sam Robertson Cruising
Saturday May 24th 1851

All of this day moderate winds from the S E with thick weather ship on the wind heading E N E. under whole Topsails. Jib and Foresail, myself employed in setting up shooks, spoke the ship Komman of N B and the Lagoda and Juniors of J H and had an old fashioned game. so ends the day

Sunday May 25th

All of this day moderate winds from the S E with light snow squalls occasionally, the fore part of the day steering E N E. middle part steer N E. latter part steer North one sail in sight. myself employed in setting up shooks the 1st Mate was taken to his bed yesterday very sick. to day some better. so ends the Sabbath

Lat 59. 37. North Long 178. 58. E

Monday May 26th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the S S W ship laying to under double reef Main and Mizzen Topsail saw a few bow heads working to the North middle part of the day more moderate set double reefed Fore Topsail and steer North. myself employed in setting up shooks. Lat 60. 31 North

Tuesday May 27th

All of this day light winds from the N with thick fog, ship with all sail out on the Eastern tack. saw a school of killers close to the ship, lowered a boat and hove a lance into one of them. myself employed in setting up shooks.

Wednesday May 28th

The fore and middle part of this day calm with cloudy weather the watch employed in breaking out Bread and scrubbing the grates of the Ships bunks. rove new Fore Sheets, latter part light airs from the N N E ship heading N W. broke out for meat. saw a school of killers and two ships. Lat. 61. 34. Long 179. 02 West

for Polar Whales or Bow Heads. 1851
Thursday May 29th

The fore and middle part of this day calm with cloudy weather myself employed in Coopersing, the watch doing some small jobs on the rigging. Latter part light airs from the N^WE ship heading N^W. two ships in sight so ends the day No Observations

Friday May 30th

All of this day light winds from the N^E with fog squalls and snow and some rain, run close in to the ice and saw nothing but a seal hove a boat and shot him and stove of, spoke the ships. Enterprise of Montucket, the Mt Vernon of N^B the Kansa of N^B and the Nancy of Haver and an English schooner and had a game. Latter part the Doctes from the Nancy come aboard to see the 1st mate who is quite sick. so ends

Saturday May 31st

All of this day light winds from the N^E with thick fog and rain, ship laying with main yard aback most of the day. spoke the ship Montpelier of N^B and gammed with her. latter part spoke the ship. Caravan of F^R River, and let her have some Potatoes and Onions. saw two Polar Whales in the morning going quick to the North. so ends the day

Sunday June 1st

All of this day light airs from the N with thick fog, ship laying with main yard aback, and gamming with the Luminary, the Mt Vernon, the Enterprise and the Saratoga. so ends

Monday June 2nd

All of this day light winds from the N^E with thick fog. stood in close to the ice and stove of. gammed with the Luminary and the Mt Vernon and Ontario, traded two Casks with the Mt Vernon for large ones. saw a number of ships doing round in the fog. so ends

Ship Sam Robertson Cruising for
Tuesday June 3rd 1851

The fore and middle part of this day cloudy weather with light winds from the N ship. cruising round the ice, a number of ships in sight. sent down the Fore Top Gallant sail and repaired it. latter part thick fog, ship. laying to with main main yard aback surrounded with ice. so end

Wednesday June 4th

All of this day light winds from the NW with clear weather ship. run in to Cape Thaddius within 10 miles of the land and layed to with main yard aback in company with 62 ships. latter part saw one whale going quick to the North. lowered and chased without success, the Captain went on board of the Armada of N.E. saw a plenty of ice. Lat 63. 08 North

Thursday June 5th

All of this day light airs from the North cloudy weather ship. cruising round the ice, saw a number of ships. game with the Gladiator of N.B. so end

Friday June 6th

The fore and middle part of this day light airs from the N ship. of the Cape cruising round the ice. saw the ship. Globe of N.B. a booby. the Captain went on board of her and got the news and then went on board of the Gladiator. latter part strong wind with thick snow squalls. ship. standing to the Eastward having a trial of sailing, with the Gladiator, and I think we will beat her.

Saturday June 7th

This day light winds from the N.E. ship. cruising of Cape Thaddius. saw one whale going quick to the North. a number of ships in sight. latter part game with the Gladiator so end
Lat 62. 22. North
and Caroline

Polar Whales of Cape Thaddeus 1851

Sunday June 8th

All of this day strong winds from the South the fore part thick snow squalls. and latter part thick fog with rain ship under short sail working of shore. saw the ice and a number of ships. so end the day

Monday June 9th

The fore part of this day light winds from the SW with thick snow squalls ship steering to the North all sail out, middle part cleared of some. saw a number of ships latter part wind W very light with clear weather saw the land sun close in to the ice wore ship and stood to the South broke out meat, D, Apples and Tea. and spoke the ship *Stevania* of CB. Lat 63. 13 North

Tuesday June 10th

All of this day calm, ship laying along the edge of the ice about 20 miles of shore, a number of ships in sight, the Captain gave a Gamming, myself setting up Pipe Shocks. so end the day

Wednesday June 11th

All of this day moderate winds from the South with thick fog, ship heading in to the N, and E under whole topsails and jib. latter part saw heavy ice. wore ship. and stood off so end another day and nothing in sight

Of all the things I want to see

The Whole Fish is the thing for me, Cooper

Thursday June 12th

Commences with light wind from the E with thick fog middle and latter part clear ship steering to the N along the edge of the ice. latter part gammed with the *Mary Mitchell* of St Francisco and the *Eric* and *Centurion*, *Gov Group* and *Lagoda* saw end

Lat 63. 36 North

Long 175. 00 West

Ship Sam Robertson Cruising

Friday June 13th 1851

All of this day moderate winds from the Eastward ship cruising. saw a number of ships doing the same the ground very dull, saw nothing but birds, the whales supposed to be in the ice, latter part gamed with the Arabela of N.B. so ends

Lat 63. 42. N. Long

Saturday June 14th

Commences with strong winds from the N.E. ship under double reefed Topsails steering S.W.

saw two Polar Whales going quick to the North saw a number of ships. spoke the bark Mt Walaston of N.B. middle part luffed to the wind and furled the Foresail. latter part thick fog. so the day ends as usual.

Sunday June 15th

All of this day strong winds from the E. & S.E. with thick rainy weather, ship under short sail on the Southern tack. broke out for water, got eight men down on the sick list. the 3rd Officer been down two days, the 1st Mate no better than he was when taken sick. he is supposed to have the Palsy has got no use of the left side, the weather is very disagreeable, and makes every body feel the same so ends another day, and nothing done towards getting Home

Monday June 16th

All of this day light wind from the East the fore and middle part thick fog. latter part cleared of some made sail and stood on the Northern tack saw a few Bow Heads going quick to the North lowered four Boats and tried to catch one, but could not come it, so ends another day. but look out to morrow old Bow Head, you won't get clear so easy the 3rd Mate on Duty

only
for Bow Heads or anything else that is

Tuesday June 17th

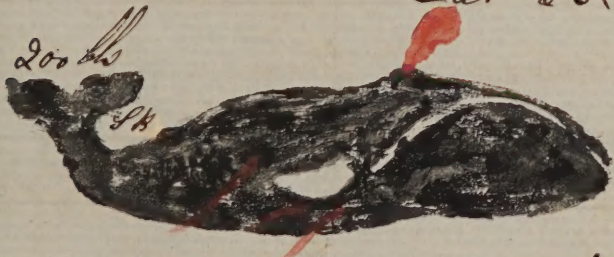


This day comes in with rainy weather and strong winds from the NW ship gun in close to the ice and hauled the main yard aback. latter part cleared up some. saw a few Bow Heads. lowered and chased and the Waist Boat struck and the Whale run into the ice. took two lines with him, and stove the L Boat and B Boat in the ice, so much done for to day. saw a number of ships that did not do so well. Lat 63. 36 North

Wednesday June 18th



All of this day moderate breezes from the NW with pleasant weather. ship dogging round the ice. saw a number of whales amongst the ice. lowered four boats and chased. the Bow Boat went up to one and have a lance in to him and that is all we got of him. saw a number of ship a whaling. saw two cutting. so ends this days work. Lat 63. 42 N Long 178. 25 West



Thursday June 19th

The fore part of this day light wind from the NW. the Captains of the Eerie and Tenor Coffin went aboard of these ships at 3 O Clock this morning after gunning all night. at 3 AM got close in to the ice saw a plenty of Whales. lowered four Boats and chased the L Boat struck and killed, and the B Boat lanced a loose one. got him along side and commenced cutting at 11 AM and got through at 6 PM got supper and set the watch. the middle and latter part of the day calm. saw a number of ship whaling but not doing much

Ship Sam Robertson is doing
Friday June 20th 1854



Commences with moderate winds from the West, made all sail and stood in to break the ice, commenced boiling and cleaning bone. saw a dead whale close to the ice took him along side and towed him off and commenced cutting at 1 P.M. got through at 9 P.M. cleared up and shortened sail and set the watch. saw a number of ship, a whaling, so end

Saturday June 21st



The fore and middle part of this day light winds from the Northen, all hands employed in boiling and cleaning bone, hoke out for flour, meat and Molasses. saw one whale lower the boats and chased but could not catch him. saw a number of ship six a boiling. latter part ^{calm} garned with the A. Barker of N.B. the land in sight, so end

Lat 63.30 N Long 177.55 Wes

Sunday June 22nd

All of this day strong winds from the S. ship. laying under double reef main topsail and Foresail. the watch employed in boiling. five ships in sight. so end

Monday June 23rd



All of this day moderate winds from the S with fog squall. set the double reef Fore and Mizzen topsails and jib, saw a few whales going quick to the Northen, all hands employed in stowing down oil and boiling saw four ships. latter part killed a Hog and started a cask of Bear, so end this day


Something toward getting full,
Tuesday June 24th

All of this day light winds from the ESE, all hands employed in stowing down oil. got through boiling at 2 P.M. and cooled down. the middle and latter part thick fog. saw nothing but a few ships. knocked off work at supper time and set quarter watches. so end

Wednesday June 25th

The fore part of this day light winds from the SSE with thick fog, called all hands at 5 A.M. and commenced stowing down. the middle and latter part clear the wind hauled to the Westward. got through stowing at 5 P.M. and cleared the decks. set the mainsail and whole topsails saw a few ships. all looked as if they was hungry for a whale. so ends this fair of oil. and ready for another

Thursday June 26th

 All of this day light wind from the S.W. ship standing in to the Westward. the watch employed in scraping bone. myself setting up shocks. middle part chased a Bowhead in company with the Genl. Pike and Gallien him latter part stood in close to the ice. saw a few scraps and Bowheads all going grudging in to the ice. stood off and gammed with the City of N.B. Lat 63. 50 North

Friday June 27th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the SE with thick fog. the middle part calm. cleared up a little saw a number of ships. then a boiling. employed in making a potatoes pen in the Run and took down the partition in the Cabin and built a place for sails and stowed them away. the latter part of the day light airs from ENE the fog blown off saw the main Land about 10 Leagues off. ship standing in toward it so ends the day

Ship Sam Robertson Digging in
Saturday June 28th 1851

This day comes in with thick fog with light winds from the S E ship. Laying with main topsail aback heading of shore. spoke the Bark Cossack of N B and game with her. latter part lit up some saw the Lam and headed in toward it saw a few ships. at 8 P M saw a Dead whale, took him along side and commenced cutting at 9 P M got through at 1 A M. the weather thick and rainy while cutting. the Captain of the Robert Edward come aboard and stopt awhile sound



Sunday June 29th

All of this day light wind from the Eastward with smoky weather. called all hands at 9 A M got breakfast and commenced churning bone made sail and stood in shore saw one whale going quick to the Eastward, did not lower. employed in boiling. latter part got close to the Land saw a number of ships doing nothing tacked ship and stood off and game with the Jefferson of S Harbor. Lat 64.23 Long 174.54 W

Monday June 30th

All of this day moderate winds from the S W with thick weather. the watch employed in boiling. saw the ice, spoke the Ships Lenox Coffin of Nantucket the Bark Russel and the Hibernia of N B and the Bark Rhone of Lydnege and had a game. lost the run of the Hibernia in the fog. got out the big gun and fired it a number of times and got no answer. at 10 P M

lit up some, saw the ship about one mile to the seaward of us run down to her and the Captain went on board. so ends half of the season and not over 3000 bbls of oil got out of a fleet 200 ships

for her Share of Bow Heads. 1854

Tuesday July 1st 1854

All of this day light winds from the S, with fog squalls
Ship. cruising round the ice. saw three bow heads
all going quick into the ice did not lower. saw a number
of ships a whaling, but did not see them catch any. got throng
boiling at 1 P.M. and cleared up decks. the watch employed
in cutting over potatoes and stowing them in the sun. so ends
the day

Lat 63. 53 North

Wednesday July 2nd

The fore and S. middle part of this day light winds from the
S. then? most of the time foggy saw one bow head
and a crag and a number of ships. the watch employed in
stowing vit. chocked of the Fore Hold. latter part fresh wind
from the N.W. spoke the ship. Rushnet of Fair Haven and sold
her a try pot. saw the land about 15 miles off. so ends the day

Thursday July 3rd

The fore and middle part of this day thick rainy weather
with light winds from the N.E. spoke the ship. Monongahela
of N.B. the Captain went on board for letters. latter part
clear of ship. steering S.W. to look for a Bow Head for the
4th. sent in the old fly fish and bought a new one. so ends

Friday July 4th

All of this day light baffling wind with smoky weather
Ship. of Cape Ross about 20 miles. saw a plenty
of ice and no whales, game with the ship.
Arctic of Fair Haven. saw a number of other ships
doing nothing. killed the last Hagg we had, myself
employed in setting up Shooks. the latter part the
Captain came on board and brought me a letter
which I received with as much pleasure
as if I had been at home, so ends the 4th
with us. saw a number of ships firing a salute,

Ship Sam Robertson still a Cruising
Saturday July 5th 1851

All of this day moderate wind from the East with cloudy weather ship steering of to the N.W. the Captain went on board of the Arctic of J.H. six ships in company all steering to the W myself setting up shooks. saw one ship a boiling. saw a number of Hump Backs, so end

Sunday July 6th

All of this day light wind from the N.W. ship steering of S.W. in company with the Arctic. the watch employe in cutting over Potatoes and storing them in the sun. so end with fine weather and whales very scarce. Lat 63.33. of Long 177.42 West

Monday July 7th

All of this day light wind and variable ship steering to the Northern, saw a few Hump Backs all hand employe in storing down the remainder of the oil from the last whale. latter part joined with the Arctic of J.H. a number of other ships in sight, so end the day

Tuesday July 8th

The fore part of this day calm and cloudy in company with the Ship Arctic. spoke the ship Omega of J. Haven. and I received a letter. the middle and latter part of the day moderate wind from the N.E. with fog squalls ship standing on the Northern tack. saw a large field of heavy ice. in to the Westward of us. saw one hump back bow Heads seems to be scarce round the Liggins, and times looks dubious enough. see a plenty of ships and doing nothing. heard of three ships being lost this season. crews mostly saved. latter part opened meat

And trying to keep up with her neighbors

Wednesday July 9th

Commences with strong winds from the North with rain ship carrying sail to get to the N. & E. in company with the Arctic. latter part blowed on quite heavy shortened sail, ship heading E. & N. E. so end Lat 64.09

Thursday July 10th

All of this day light winds from the N with cloudy weather ship on the Eastern tack with all sail out gamen with the Ship Arctic. four ships in sight so end

Friday July 11th

The fore part of this day light airs from the N saw the Land bearing N. E. middle part calm broke out for Butter, Beer and Coffee, myself to work on shooks, the Captain went on board of the Arctic E. & M. saw a number of Stump Backs. latter part light wind from the S. E. with thick fog the skipper come aboard and steered E. & N. E. so end the day

Saturday July 12th

All of this day light winds from the Southen with thick fog. the fore and middle part steered N. E. under whole Topsails. hove the Lead a number of times and got bottom from 25 to 30 fathoms. at 6 P. M. clewed up the Topsails and dropt Anchor in 20 fathoms of water a strong current setting to the N. E. ship supposed to be near the Land. broke out for Molasses, so end

Sunday July 13th

Called all hands at 3 A. M. and weighed anchor, commenced blowing strong from the S. P. W. set double reefed Topsails. spoke the Bark Anadis of N. B. and the Captain went on board to get the news, ships stood in to the Westward, at 12 M. saw the Land, wore ship and stood of with maine Topsail aback. saw a number of seals. latter part the Captain come aboard wore ship and stood in shore again, thick fog most of the day. four sail in sight so end

Ship Sam Robertson Cruising

Monday Tuesday July 14th 1851

The fore and middle part of this day strong wind from the SSW with thick weather. ship standing in to the Western under short sail. latter ^{part} saw the Lam close to, wore ship. and stood off, a number of sails in sight. broke out Beef and Pork. so end. Lat 64. 44 North

Tuesday Wednesday July 15th

The fore and middle part of this day thick fog with light airs from the Eastward ship on the Southern tack. latter part cleared of some, and nearly calm saw a school of Killers.

Wednesday July 16th

Commenced with light winds from the WSW with thick fog. ship on the Southern tack. middle part cleared of quite pleasant saw the Lam, tacked ship. and headed in towards it. saw a number of Hump Backs and one Bow Bear. lowered two boats for him. but without success. saw a number of ships doing nothing latter part fog again. Lat 64. 29 North

Thursday July 17th

The fore part of this day moderate winds from the SE with pleasant weather. ship steering North with the intention of going into St Lawrence Bay. spoke the ships Pacific and Aradis of A B and the Captains came aboard and stopt a few minutes. set in thick fog and ship stood off shore to the Eastward. saw a small field of ice about three Leagues of shore. heard of two more ships being lost. the Mary Mitchel of St Francisco was wrecked in the ice. and the Armata of London went ashore. middle part of the day blowed strong from the SSE shortened sail. latter part the same. so end thick fog

in a Fog. Manufactory for Bow Heads
Friday July 18th

All of this day strong winds from the S.E. with thick weather. ship under short sail, making six hour tacks to the Eastward, saw a few scraggs and two ships. so ends

Saturday July 19th

All of this day thick rainy weather, with moderate breezes from the East, ship dodging round somewhere between St Lawrence Island and the Western shore, nothing in sight so ends the day seven men on the sick list

Sunday July 20th

All of this day light winds from the Northern with cloudy weather. ship steering to the Westward with the intention of going into St Lawrence Bay for water, saw a number of ships working to the Northern, latter part stove in to the mouth of the Bay, in seven fathoms of water, tacked ship and stove out, the Bay full of heavy ice, saw a few scraggs and so ends the Sabbath

Monday July 21st

The fore part of this day light airs from the N.E. with thick fog. middle part clearer of quite pleasant, with light airs from the Southern, ships heading to the Northern through Behring's Straits, saw the Land on both sides. latter part of the day set in thick fog. broke out a barrel of Pork.

Lat 65.34 North

Tuesday July 22nd

All of this day light winds from the Southern. the fore part had thick fog squalls. saw a number of ships some at anchor spoke the ship Pacific of N.B. reported two more ships being lost in the ice, the Arabella of N.B. and the Henry Thompson of the whales very scarce, and ships all working to the Southern again. saw the Land on both sides of the Straits. strong current setting N.E. so ends

Lat 66.10 North

Ship Sam Robertson Cruising for
Wednesday July 23rd

The fore part of this day commenced blowing strong from the South. Ship stood over under the lee of Cape East. Called all hands and come to anchor in 20 fathoms of water two miles of shore. sent a raft of 8 casks ashore and filled them with water and got them off. had a number of Indians come of to see us. twenty ships to anchor hereabouts, saw a few scrag^d. whales, and a few heavy pieces of drift ice, heard of a French ship being lost. the Cosmopolite of Havre. latter part the Captain went on board of the Anadis of N.B. so ends the day

Thursday July 24th

The fore part of the day light airs from the South got of a raft of eight casks of water, the Captain went ashore gunning. Middle^{part} commenced blowing strong from the S S E with fog squalls. the Captain come on board and got the ship under weigh and run to Westward about three miles to get more of a lee, and dropt anchor again. latter part moderated down where the ship lay, but blowed quite strong of shore twenty ships at anchor hereabouts. all waiting for a change of weather, so ends

Friday July 25th

The fore part of this day the wind hauled round to the Westward and moderated down nearly calm. and continued so during the day thirty ships in sight and the most of them at anchor. saw a few scrag whales. had a number of Indians come aboard with trade. such as Ixey, Fox Miss. and wearing apparel of their own manufacture the principle stuff they wanted for trade was Rum. and Tobacco.

Bow Heads in the Arctic Sea. 1851

Saturday July 26th

The fore and middle part of this day light winds from the NW, with fine rain. latter part cleared of took our anchor at 7 PM and stood out on a cruise, with a moderate breeze, a number of ships still at anchor. broke out Beef and Pork. so ends the day

Sunday July 27th

The fore and middle part of this day strong wind from the NW with fog squalls. ship on the Northern tack saw one Bow Head, lowered three boats and chased, lost the run of ~~the~~ him in the fog. boats came aboard. gammed with the Globe of N.B. latter part of the day more moderate. a number of ships in sight. so ends the day

Monday July 28th

All of this day strong breeze from the NW, the fore part of the day ship on the Northern tack. middle part stood to the Westward, saw a number of scrag whales. latter part gammed with the ship General Teste of Havre, saw the Land to the Eastward of us. tack ship and stood to the NE

Lat 67-31 N

Tuesday July 29th

The fore part of this day strong wind from the NNW ship stood in to the NE till 7 AM saw the Land quite plain, tack ship and stood to the Westward. middle and latter part of the day winds light with pleasant weather. ship under all sail, latter part saw a number of scrags. lowered three boats and chased them about two hours. but they would not bite at our bait, so the boats came aboard. gammed with the ship General Teste of Havre, two more ships in sight. so ends the day

Lat 67-50 North

Ship Sam Robertson Cruising for Whales
Wednesday July 30th 1841

All of this day light winds from the NNE, ship under all sail steering NW the weather quite pleasant, the watch employed in drying and bundling Bone, the Land in sight to the NE of us saw a school of Killers and two ships. Lat 68. 45 North

Thursday July 31st

The fore part of this day light wind from the East saw a number of Bow Heads, lowered and chased, set in thick fog and lost the run of them, the boats come aboard, at 2 PM cleared of with light airs from the North, saw more whales, lowered and chased, found them rather shy and going to the North a good fog, Lat 69. 45 North

Friday Augst 1st

The fore and middle part of this day light variable winds, called all hands at 2 PM and chased Whales, found them rather shy, and going quick, saw a great number of Seals and Walrus, two ships in sight, latter part of the day calm with rainy weather, hove the Lead every two hours got from 18 to 20 fathoms of water, broke out a barrel of Pork, so ends Lat 70. 33 North

Saturday Augst 2nd

Commences with strong winds from the NNE with thick rainy weather, ship under short sail middle part of the day cleared of, the Captain went on board of the ship General Teste to get a copy of a chart, broke out for Flour, Tea and Molasses latter part of the day foggy, so ends

Just to the Southward of the North Pole. 1851

Sunday August 3rd

All of this day Moderate gales from the N.E. with cloudy weather. Ship under close reef fore and mizen topsails and double reefed main topsail, on the Eastern tack, one ship in sight so ends the day

Lat 70-30 North

Monday August 4th



Commences with good luck, saw a Bow Head last night at 11 O'clock, the weather quite moderate, lowered and chased

and the Bow Boat struck, and the Captain killed him, took him along side at 1 AM and got ready for cutting, and sent the watch below, at 6 AM commenced cutting, got through at 10 AM and started the works, a light breeze from the N.E. with pleasant weather. latter part of the day foggy. ship laying with main yard aback, so ends

Lat 70.26 North

Tuesday Aug 4th 5th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the N.E. took in the fore and mizen topsails and doubled reefed the main, the watch employed in working, middle part of the day moderate, made sail, latter part wind hauled to the S.E. ship heading N.E. saw one Bow Head going quick to the East one ship in sight so ends

Lat 70.40

Wednesday Aug 6th

The fore part of this day moderate winds from the East saw the ice, wore ship and stood to the Southward, got through working at 10 AM cleared up decks and set the mainsail, middle and latter part of the day light airs and variable with a rain shower, which lasted about three hours.

Ship Sam Robertson finds a plenty
Thursday Aug 7th 1861



All of this day moderate breezes from the East, commenced stowing down oil in the morning. saw whales

lowered and chased untill 3 P.M. come aboard and got dinner, lowered again and chased. the S. Boat struck and killed. took him along side at 7 am commenced cutting at 8 P.M. got through at 12 P.M. Lat 70 37. P

Friday Aug 8th

The fore part of this day moderate breezes from the E & S E. the middle and latter part nearly calm, all hands employed in stowing down and boiling, three ships in sight. latter part saw two whales. lowered three boats and tried to catch one, but they give us the slip. so end

Saturday Aug 9th

All of this day calm; saw whales lowered at 8 A.M. and chased till 12. M. the Bow Boat went on to one and the boat Steer missed him. boats come aboard, got dinner and lowered again and chased till 10 P.M. without success. employed in boiling. three ships in sight

Sunday Aug 10th

All of this day strong winds from the W & S W saw whales in the morning. lowered two boats and chased about one hour give them up and come aboard, doubled reefed the Topsails and took in jib. middle part commenced stowing down oil. got through boiling at three O. Clock, P.M. two ships in sight so end

Lat 70, 14 North

of Bow Heads about here.

Monday Aug 11th

The fore and middle part of this day strong wind from the South, latter part nearly calm. saw a plenty of whales and chased with three boats, but could not strike, all going quick. saw the ship Gen Teste cutting a whale, picked up a Cask of Flour and two empty Casks. saw a plenty drift wood supposed to have come from some wreck. Lat 70, 34 N

Tuesday Aug 12



The fore part of this day light winds from the North, commenced storming down. saw whales. lowered three Boats and chased, the Bow Boat struck, and killed took him along side at 2 P.M. commenced cutting at 3, got through at 7 1/2 P.M. got supper and set the watch. middle and latter part of the day blowing quite strong, three ships in sight. Lat 70 18 North

Wednesday Aug 13th

The fore and middle part of this day strong Gales from the Northward, employed in storming down and boiling. ship lying under double reefed Main Topsail and Foresail, at 12 A.M. one of the foremost hands died, after a sickness of two months, he was a native of one of the South Sea Islands he was taken on deck and laid on the gally way plank, and sewed up in canvass, and at 4 P.M. after the Funeral ceremonies was read by the Captain, his body was launched to the deep, seven men still on the sick list, latter part of the day more moderate. with cloudy weather, the fore part of the day foggy. opened a box of

Ship *Samp Robertson* Cruising
Thursday Aug 14th 1851

All of this day moderate gales from the NE with thick weather, the watch employed in boiling setting up shrouds, and other duties, latter part the Captain of the Ship. Casarran come aboard to get the news, the ship laying under close reef main topsail throughout the day, so ends

Friday Aug 15th

All of this day blowing strong from the NE ship laying under close reef main topsail and foresail, got through boiling at 10 AM, all hands employed in stowing Oil between Decks, got through at 8 PM got supper, set the watch, kept the ship of LW so ends the day

Lat 70. 42 N

~~Saturday~~ Friday, Aug, 16th

All of this day blowing strong from the NE, suffered the to the wind at 2 AM, and took in the foresail, set in foggy and remained so during the day, ship laying under close reef main topsail on the Eastern tack, latter part sounded got bottom in 20 fathoms of water, so ends

Sunday Aug 17th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the NE kept the ship of South, middle part moderated some, set double reef topsails, jib and foresail, and come to the wind on the Eastern tack, latter part the same the weather thick and hazy most of the day, employed in scraping bone and Boasting Oil, a strong current setting to the North

Lat 70 40 N

for another Bow Head

Monday Aug 18th

The fore and middle part of this day light winds from the North, the latter part wind hauled to the Westward, the weather thick and hazy most of the day, Ship steering S.W. by S, all hands employed in stowing down Oil, got through at 6 P.M., and cleared up decks. started a bbl of Beef and Pork.

Tuesday Aug 19th

All of this day light winds from the West. ship under all sail, the fore part steered S.E. the latter part steered East, nothing in sight, the Carpenter employed in making battings for the Yards. So ends the day

Lat 68, 35, Long 177-20 West

Wednesday Aug 20th

The fore part of this day light winds from the South, the middle and latter part wind hauled to the N.W. ship steering S.E. saw a plenty of scraggs. latter part gamened with the Erie of D. Haven. Lat 67.54. Long 175.20

Thursday Aug 21th

The fore part of this day light winds from the North, ship steering S.E. by E. spoke the ships Minerva and Casack of N.B. middle and latter part winds light and variable, gamened with the Bark Arab of D. Haven. had thick fog most of the day, sent up a new fore top gallant sail. the Carpenter employed in making battings and Jack stays for the Yards. So ends

Friday Aug 22nd

Commences with strong breezes from the N.W. with thick weather, ship on the wind, saw a few ships and a plenty of scrag whales. at 10 A.M. kept ship of S.E. at 3 P.M. luffed to the wind, the weather quite thick, spoke the ship Erie and the Captain came on board and stayed a few minutes ship making short tacks, waiting for clear weather to go through the straits. So ends

Ship Sam Robertson bound
Saturday Aug 23rd 1841

The fore part of this day strong winds from the NW at 9 AM kept the ship of SE, the weather some what thick, spoke the ship Sally Ann of NB, at 12 M. saw the East Cape bearing South, a number of ships in sight all bound out, at 2 PM, passed by the Cape. saw the Wreck of the ship Globe of NB laying on the rocks cast away the 10th of this month, sent two boats in and got some fire wood, the weather quite moderate, gamed with the ship Chariot and the Bark Mary Grazies

Sunday Aug 24th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the NE, with cloudy weather, ship steering South with all sail out, middle part flowered on quite strong, steered SSW, took in top Gallant sails, latter part strong gales took in the fore and Mizzen Topsails and double reefed the main Topsail. {moleasses

Monday Augth 25th

The fore part of this day strong Gales from the NE with rainy weather, ship steering SSW, rove new wheel ropes, middle part more moderate. set whole Topsails and Foresail. the thick and rainy, latter part cleared some the wind East, set main Top Gallant sail and Jib, got the Anchor on the bow and put the chain below, one bark in sight, so end

Tuesday Aug 26th

The fore and middle part of this day strong winds from the North with thick rainy weather, ship steering S by W. W. commenced wetting the Hold, and broke out for Bread, latter part wind hauled to the NW, cleared of, and moderate some, made all sail, and steered SSW two ships in sight.

to the Southward to Cruise

Wednesday Aug 27th

The fore part of this day light airs from the N. P. W. with fine pleasant weather, sent in the Topmast staysail and repaired it, and spread some Borne to dry, middle part calm, latter part had light winds from the East, gamed with the Nauticon of Nantucket, and steered S. P. W. three ships in sight, so ended

Lat 59-25. Long 179.27. East

Thursday Aug 28th

The fore part of this day moderate winds from the Eastward with cloudy weather, ship under all sail steering S. W. by S the middle and latter part wind N. E. with fog squalls, one ship in sight, broke out Beef, Pork and Pickles,

Friday Aug 29th

All of this day moderate breezes from the N. E. with cloudy weather, ship steering S. W. by S, latter part gamed with the ship Nauticon of Nantucket

Lat 56.32 North

Saturday Aug 30th

The fore part of this day light winds from the N. P. W. with cloudy weather, ship with all sail out steering S. W. by S, middle part wind hauled to the N. E., latter part the same wind light, ship steering N. P. W. two ships in sight

Lat 54.57. Long 180.05 East

Sunday Aug 31st

All of this day light winds from the N. E. with pleasant weather, at 7 A.M. sighted Copper Island right ahead, ship steering N. P. W. set Topmast and Top Gallant Studding sails at 3 P.M., passed round the South East end of the Island and came to the wind under the lee, in company with ship Nauticon, lowered two Boats and went in shore fishing and gunning at 9 P.M. the Boats came aboard, with a few Cod Fish and 4 Porces, kept the ship west for Bhering Island. so ended

Lat 54.47

Ship Sam Robertson Making a
Monday Sept 1st

The fore part of this day calm, at 11. A.M., a light breeze
sprang up from the S.E. with cloudy weather. Ship on
the Southern tack with all sail out, the latter part
strong breeze. so ends. Lat 54.20 North

Tuesday Sept 2nd

The fore and middle part of this day moderate breezes from
the S.E. with cloudy weather. Ship on the Southern tack
with all sail out, latter part winds light and backing
with frequent showers of rain. so ends

Wednesday Sept 3rd

The fore part of this day calm, with rainy weather
middle part breeze sprang up from the N.W. Ship
steered E.S.E., set Topmast and Top Gallant Studding
sail, sent up main royal yard and sail and set it
latter part fine breeze. so ends Lat 51.28. North

Thursday Sept 4th

All of this day moderate breezes from the S.W. Ship
steering E.S.E. with all sail out, employed in ripping
up old Fly jib and T. Top Gallant sail, the Carpenter
repairing Coamings of the After Hatch. nothing in sight
so ends Lat 50.16 Long 169.24 East

Friday Sept 5th

All of this day fine breezes from the South
with pleasant weather. Ship on the Eastern
tack with all drawing sail set. nothing in
sight. the Carpenter repairing the Booby Hatch,
took down the stove in the Cabin. so ends
this days work Lat 48.52 North
Long 172.46 East

Passage to the Sandwich Islands, 1851
Saturday Sept 6th

Commences with moderate breezes from the SE with rain squalls, ship on the wind heading to the Eastward with all sail out; middle and latter part the same with clear weather, the Carpenter repairing the Capstan, broke out Beef and Pork.

Lat 48.32. Long 175.46

Sunday Sept 7th

The fore part of this day moderate breezes from the SE with thick rainy weather, middle part wind hauled to the SW, and cleared of, set Topmast and Top Gallant Studding sails, ~~the~~ ship steering E by S, broke out for water, the Carpenter to work on the Capstan, latter part strong breeze, so ends the day.

Lat 48, 21 N. Long 178, 52 East

Monday Sept 8th

The fore and middle part of this day strong winds from the SW, ship with all sail out steering ESE employed in fitting Jib Whips, the Carpenter repairing the Capstan, latter part of the day quite moderate wind South, took in Studding and hoisted the yards

Lat 46.51. Long 176.11 West

Tuesday Sept 9th

All of this day strong winds from the Southward with thick rainy weather, ship on the Eastern tack, parted the Martingale guy, and fitted it again. so ends

Wednesday Sept 10th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the South with rainy weather, doubled reefed the Topsails, split the Mainsail and Jib, and parted the Bob stay, middle part cleared of and moderate some, the wind hauled to the SW, bent a new Mainsail and Jib, and fitted the Bob stay. set all drawing sail and steered ESE. latter part fine breeze. so ends

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Ship Samuel Robertson Making

Thursday Sept 11th 1851

All of this day moderate winds from the S.W. with pleasant weather, ship steering S.E. with all sail out, sent down the Mizzen Top Gallant sail and repaired it, and made new Fly Jib Whips, a quarrel took place between the 3rd and 4th Mate, about some trifling affair, and ended by the 4th Mate throwing a tar bucket at the 3rd Mate, which struck him on the arm and broke it just below the elbow joint. So ends the day

Lat 44. 10. Long 168. 46 West

Friday Sept 12th

The fore part of this day light winds from the N.W. ship steering S.E. with all sail out, the middle part calm with rain squalls. latter part light winds from the E.N.E. continued to rain, employed through the day in ripping up the old mainsail, broke out Bread and Lumber, the Carpenter making a Cabin sky light, so ends

Saturday Sept 13th

All of this day strong winds from the N.W. with pleasant weather, ship steering S.E. with all sail out, employed in Carpentering, broke out four Pork and Molasses, so ends the day

Lat 41. 00 North
Long 165. 57 West

Sunday Sept 14th

The fore and middle part of this day a fine breeze from the Westward ship steering S.E. by E. with all drawing sail out. the latter part wind hauled to the South took in studding sails, and heaved the yards, ship heading E.S.E. so ends the day

Lat 38. 26 North

Long 162. 01. West

Passage to the Sandwich Islands,

Monday Sept 15th

All of this day strong winds from the Southward, ship heading ESE, under whole Topsails, Courses, and Jibs, employed in Carpentery. so end
Lat 35, 31. N, Long 160-23, West

Tuesday Sept 16th

The fore and middle part of this day strong winds from the South. ship on the Eastern tack, employed in making mast coats, and Carpentery. latter part quite moderate, made all sail. saw a school of Black Fish lowered three boats and chased, the L Boat struck and got one, took him along side and hoisted him, so end.

Lat 35. 08. Long 157. 40 West

Wednesday Sept 17th

The fore part of this day light winds from the South, the middle part wind hauled to the NE, set Topmast and Top gallant Studding sails. ship steering SSE, the watch employed on the rigging, the latter part fine rain. so end.

Thursday Sept 18th

The fore and middle part of this day light variables winds, with frequent rain squalls, ship heading SSE, all hands employed in washing ship inside, and breaking out water, the latter part calm. so end

Lat 32-12. Long 155-57. West

Friday Sept 19th

All of this day light winds from the NE, with pleasant weather steering S by E with all sail out. all hands employed in fitting and tarring rigging. and shookey Oil casks. and Carpentery nothing in sight so end

Lat 31. 18. North

Ship Samuel Robertson Making

Saturday Sept 20th 1851

All of this day light airs from the S E, with pleasant weather. Ship heading S W with all drawing sail set; all hands employed on the rigging, and breaking out between decks, and making a sail and bone pen, so on Lat 30. 28 North

Sunday Sept 21st

The fore and middle part of this day calm, all hands employed in clearing up between decks, bundling bone and boiling B. Fish, latter part a light breeze sprung up from the Eastward spoke the ship Enterprise of Nantucket and the Captain went on board ship on the Southern tack

Monday Sept 22nd

All of this day light airs from the S E with pleasant weather ship on the Southern tack with all drawing sail set, all hands employed in drying and bundling bone and stowing of between decks, got through at sun down and washed of decks. Stewed Beef, Pork and Flour; Lat 28. 50 N

Long 157. 37 West

Tuesday Sept 23rd

All of this day light winds from the S E with pleasant weather, all hands employed fitting and taring rigging, and sending up Sky sail poles. Lat 27. 50 North

Wednesday Sept 24th

All of this day moderate winds from the Southern and a few light rain squalls, ship working to the Southern and Eastern. all hands employed in fitting and taring rigging, and scraping the Cabin wood work

Passage to the Sandwich Islands

Thursday Sept 25th

All of this day strong winds from the S.E. and squally, ship on the Southern tack, the watch employed in various duties. Carpenter repairing the Cabin. so on Lat 26.50. Long 157.35

Friday Sept 26th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the S.E. ship on the Southern tack, middle part more moderate wore ship and stood to the Eastward; employed in getting the Cabin, latter part latter part made all sail wore ship and stood to the Southern one ship in sight, so on Lat 25 50 North

Sunday Sept 28th

The fore part of this day took the wind from the E.N.E ship with all sail out on the wind heading to the Southern and Eastward. employed in varnishing and painting the Cabin latter part of the day squally took in the Fore and Mizen Top Gallant sails, so on Lat 23.15. Long 168.25

Monday Sept 29th

All of this day strong winds from the E.N.E and squally, ship heading S.E. at 12 A.M. saw the Island of Warhoo bearing S.P.E. latter part the North point bearing S.E. by S distance 10 miles wore ship and stood off shore. Lat 22.14. Long 157.40 West

Tuesday Sept 30th

All this day strong winds from the N.E. tacked ship at 12 P.M. and stood in shore, got in the Passage at 12 M. at 2 P.M. the Pilot came aboard and took the ship at anchor outside of Warhoo Harbour in 15 fathoms of water, furled the sails and the Captain went ashore

Ship Samuel Robertson at Wednesday Oct 1st

Called all hands at 4 AM, the Pilot come aboard and got the ship under weigh, and stood in to the Harbour and come to Anchor at 8 AM, sent down the Main Royal yard and the three Top Gallant sails, sent in the jibs and rigged in the Jib Boom, at 9 AM one of our crew died, a native of one of the South Sea Islands, been sick for the last five months, with the Consumption, latter part of the day the trade winds come down strong and the ship dragged her anchors, the Harbour Master come aboard and secured her. so end.

Thursday Oct 2nd

The fore part of this day employed in washing ship outside, the 1st and 3rd Mate went ashore on the doctors hands, at 2 PM the Rev Mr. Taylor come on board with the Captain, and called all hands aft where the Funeral service of our deceased shipmate was delivered by Mr Taylor, after service was over his remains was taken ashore and deposited in the Honolulu Cemetery.

Friday Oct 3rd

The fore part of this day hauled along side of the ship Canton and made fast, the Carpenter employed in repairing the wheel. so end

Saturday Oct 4th

This day employed in painting spars, the wind light with pleasant weather, discharged 4 sick men

Sunday Oct 5th

All of this day strong trades setting down, most of the crew went ashore to Church

Anchor in Honolulu Harbor
Monday Oct 6th

All of this day employed in painting spars and setting up shrouks. Discharge 3 men, so ends

Tuesday Oct 7th

The fore part of this day hove up the anchors and hauled off from the ship Canton and come to our moorings the 1st Mate come on board & employed in getting of water, so ends

Wednesday Oct 8th

All of this day employed in getting of water, the weather quite warm and sultry

Thursday Oct 9th

The Harbour watch on liberty the watch on board employed in painting spars.

Friday Oct 10th

Employed in painting ship outside, one watch on liberty, latter part of the day rainy

Saturday Oct 11th

Employed in painting ship, one watch on liberty the weather quite pleasant

Sunday Oct 12th

This day all hands employed in stowing down water, the weather warm and sultry so ends

Monday Oct 20th

This day employed in painting inside the ship, discharge one Boat Steer, and sent 32 empty Barrels ashore and four barrels of Fish, had light airs from the South with pleasant weather so ends

Ship Sam Robertson. Laying

Tuesday Oct 21st

The watch employed in painting inside and rigging out the Jib Boom

Wednesday Oct 22nd

The watch employed in setting up the head rigging shipped 3rd Mate and two Boat Stewards. but light wind from the South

Friday Oct 24th

All hands employed in bending Top Gallant Sails, Jibs and new Foresail, got of potatoes and Kump
So end

Saturday Oct 25

Called all hands at daylight and wet the Hold nine men come on board to duty, cast of our murrings and hove up our Harbour Anchor and got ready for Sea, the H. I. Schooner of war Vincens arrived here this morning, at 3 P.M. hove up our S. Anchor and the Pilot came on board with the Captain and took us out of the Harbour the wind light from the Eastward at 4 1/2 P.M. Left the Pilot and stood on our course to the South under all sail in company with the Ship Montreal. Secured the Anchors and chose the watches so end

Sunday Oct 26th

All of this day calm, five ships in sight, employed in fitting the Boats for whaling.
So end the Day

in Honolulu Harbour, Oahu

Monday Oct 27th

All of this day light airs from the S.E. ship on the Southern tack with all sail out. three ships in sight. employed in various duties. took in the Bow Boat and put out a new one. so end

Tuesday Oct 28th

All of this day light winds from the E. S.E. with pleasant weather. ship on the Southern tack, employed in setting up rigging and repairing the Bow Boat. so end

Wednesday Oct 29th

This day strong winds from the E, ship steering S.E. with all sail out, latter part of the day squally
Lat 16. 42. North

Thursday Oct 30th

All of this day strong breezes from the Eastward ship steering S.E. employed in setting up rigging. and doing some small jobs at Painting
so end
Lat 14. 06 North

Saturday Nov 1st

All of this day strong winds from the Eastward with squalls of rain. took out for Molasses and opened the Hop Chest and disposed of a number of Shirts, Trousers, and Caps. so end the day

Sunday Nov 2nd

All of this day moderate winds from the E. S.E. ship on the Southern tack one ship in sight. so end

Ship Samuel Robertson bound

Monday Nov 3rd

The fore part of this day calm, employed in breaking out oil from between decks and Corperiing it, and shifting water to trim ships. Latter part had a breeze from the Eastward with rain. Spoke the Ship Erie and Jaimie, so ends

Lat 9:14. North

Wednesday Nov 5th

All of this day fine breeze from the E S E with pleasant weather, ship on the Southern tack with all sail out, one ship in sight, watch employed in repairing the Main Spence, so ends the day

Lat 2:39 N. Long 156:22 W.

Saturday Nov 8th

This day moderate winds from the Eastward with two smart rain squalls, employed in making spun yarn the 1st Mate building a Cabin skin tight. Latter part of the day doubled reefed the Topsails, Oblige to pump ship often on account of a leak in the bow, occasioned by the ice. So ends

Lat 5:20 South

Monday Nov 10th

All of this day light breezes from the Eastward with pleasant weather, watch employed in setting up head rigging, saw a school of Black fish lowered from Bouts and chased and gather them, come aboard and set the Topmast Studding sail, and steered S. by W. at 2 P.M. saw Penryns Island bearing S W distant 4 leagues, at 4 P.M. kept the ship of W. H. N. bound round to the leeward of it, the Island inhabited by Capibals. so ends

Lat 8:41. South. Long 157:43 West

on a Cruise for Sperm Whales



Wednesday Nov 12th

The fore part of this day had a heavy thunder squall which lasted about three hours, had the wind to the Eastward, at 10 A.M. saw a school of Sperm whales lower four Boats and chased did not get on, all going quick to the S.E. middle and latter part of the day quite pleasant, employed in making a Bow-sprit Shroud so ends
Lat 10-24. South. Long 158.22. West

Thursday Nov 13th

The fore part of this day strong winds from Eastward with rain squalls, middle part quite pleasant, all hands employed in breaking out oil from between decks and Coopering it, latter part wind hauled to the North, with rain, ship steering S.E. so ends
Lat 12.34 South
Long 158, 50 West

Saturday Nov 15th

The fore part of this day moderate gales from the N.E. with thick, rainy weather, ship steering S.E. under double reefed Fore and Main Topsails and Foresail. latter part the weather more moderate, and still continues to rain so ends

Sunday Nov 17th

All of this day light winds from the North. ship steering S.W. employed in breaking out water and meat
at 2 P.M. saw the Island of Wyataooke bearing S.W. & at 5 P.M. got within two miles of the landing. went in with two Boats and got a load of Wood and some fruit, at sundown shortened sail and stood off shore. so ends, myself under the disagreeable necessity of having a tooth extracted, with a small pair of Jaws

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Ship Sam Robertson bruv on a

Tuesday Nov 18th 1851

The fore part of this day stow in for the Island of Oyatooke and sent two Boats ashore, got of eight boat loads of wood and a lot of Potatoes, Hogs, and Yams, and Ducks and Pine Apples, and took aboard 5 native passengers for Baratonga, at sun down got all aboard made sail and steer South with the wind from the East. light. So ends

Wednesday Nov 19th

All of this day light airs from the Eastward, ship with all sail out steering S by E, water employed in various duties, nothing in sight. So ends

Lat 20. 11 Long 160. 03 West

Thursday Nov 20th

A Daylight saw the Island of Baratonga bearing S W distant 10 miles, at 8 A. Clock got in quite handy, to the landing, lowered two Boats, and took our passengers ashore, at 3 P.M. the Boats come aboard loaded with Potatoes and fruit and one Bul of Lime Juice, made all sail and steer South, the wind light during the day from the NE, latter part found two Natives that stow themselves away. So ends the Day

Friday Nov 21st

All of this day light airs from the NE with pleasant weather, ship with all sail out steering South, employed in painting the S Boat and W. Boat, and stowing Yams in Casks, and fitting rigging. nothing in sight So ends

Lat 22. 30 South

Cruise, W^m Washburn Master, 1851


Saturday Nov 22nd

All of this day light airs from the North, ship steering S by E with all sail out, employed in painting the L Boat and corking round the bows of the ship, and building a Pidgeon house, broke out for Molasses and Sugar, so end

Sunday Nov 23rd

The last three days light baffling winds and calms, ship steering to the Southward, employed in repairing the spunkies and various other duties

Monday Nov 24th



All of this day light variable winds with a few rain squalls, saw a school of Sperm Whales, lowered four Boats and chased, and the waist Boat struck and got one took him along side and commenced cutting, got through at 8 P.M. and set the watch, so end

Tuesday Nov 25th

All of this day light airs from the Eastward, at daylight braced forward the main Topsail and stood to the S by E employed in boiling, nothing in sight, so end Lat 24.36. Long 160.18 West

Wednesday Nov 26th

All of this day light airs from the S by E, saw a school of Black Fish, lowered and chased did not get on. boats come aboard, ship on the Southern tack, employed in boiling, got through at 4 P.M. and boiled down, so end the day

Ship Sam Robertson Cruising
Saturday Nov 29th 1851

All of this day light winds from the East, ship
steering South with all sail out, sent down the
Main Topsail and sent up a new one, saw Porpoises
so end the day Lat 26-17 South

Sunday Dec 1st

All of this day moderate winds from the South
ship heading W P W with all sail out, saw
white water a long distance off, supposed them to
be Sperm Whales, employed in Coopering and
storing down Oil, Lat 27-56 South

Tuesday Dec 2nd

All of this day strong breezes from the Southward
ship on the Eastern tack, employed in repairing
the Main Topsail, latter part killed a Hog, and
got a plenty more left, the market well stocked,
had an increase of thirteen within three days
Lat 28-46 South

Friday Dec 5th

All of this day fine breezes from the Eastward
with pleasant weather, employed in fitting
rigging, and making spun yarn. three men on
the sick list. the Dog Tiger got a flogging for
biting a man, killed a Hog, and got a plenty more
left. so end. Lat 32-04. South

Saturday Dec 6th

All of this day light wind from the S E ship on
the Southern tack, employed in fitting rigging and
scrimsawing, nothing in sight so end.
Lat 34-20 South
killed one Turkey and Duck

in the South Pacific Ocean

Sunday Dec 7th

The fore part of this day light winds from the South ship heading S P W, the middle and latter part strong breezes took in Top Gallant sails, latter part killed three Ducks, saw a few fin backs, so end

Lat 35-25 South

Monday Dec 8th

All of this day moderate winds from the Southern ship on the Eastern tack, employed in fitting rigging, opened the Store Chest to supply the men with thick clothing, latter part killed four Hogs so end the day

Wednesday Dec 10th

All of this day fine breezes from the NW with cloudy weather, ship steering S P E with all sail out, employed in fitting rigging and scrimshawing, saw a number of fin backs, broke out meat and killed two ducks, so end

Thursday Dec 11th

Strong gales from the NW, ship steering S P E latter part hove to under close reef main Topsail and main Spencer. the weather thick and rainy. so end

Friday Dec 12th

The fore part of this day quite moderate with the wind to the Westward, made sail, steered S P E, employed in lashing spars across the Forecastle and securing oil between decks that got adrift last night, latter part calm, bent a Fore Topsail, so end

Lat 40-56. South Long 160-33 West

Ship Sam Robertson Cruising

Saturday Dec 13th

All of this day moderate winds from the S E ship heading S W, broke out for water and made latter part game with the ship. Leno's Coffin of Nantucket. so ends

Sunday Dec 14th

The fore part of this day strong wind from the S W doubled reefed the Topsails and took in Jib and Mainsail, middle and latter part wind hauled to the Westward, ship steering E S E so ends

Tuesday Dec 16th

The last two days strong winds from the Westward ship under double reefed Topsails steering East nothing in sight but Alberts and Porpoises to day set up the Jib gump, latter part Stewart killed a number of Ducks. so ends

Lat 42-43 South

Thursday Dec 18th

Continues strong winds from the Westward with smoky weather, ship steering East, latter part of the day shortened sail and hauled to wind on the Southern tack.

Lat 43.28 South

Friday Dec 19th

The fore part of this day moderate winds from the South with smoky weather, made all sail steering East, middle part calm. latter part a light breeze sprang up from the Westward, with pleasant weather, steered E by S. nothing in sight killed two Hogs. so ends

Lat 44-01 South

Long 146-00 West

for Whales out South, 1851.

Saturday Dec 20th

Commences with fine breezes from the West ship steering E by S with main Top Gallant sail going at the rate of six knots per hour, at 4 AM all hands was startled by the Appalling cry of man overboard, the ship was brought to the wind with every thing aback, and the lee boat cleared away and manned, and sent to rescue the unfortunate sufferer, but it was too late, his voyage had ended before the Boat had got to him he had sunk, and all that was seen was a few bubbles to mark the spot where he had his last struggle, the Boat came aboard and we stood of on our course, he was a Portuguese, while sitting on the rail in the act of catching water, he lost his balance and met with an untimely fate, employed through the day making spun yarn, latter part made all sail, set the Topmast Standing sail, so ends Lat 44-38 South

Sunday Dec 21st

All of this day strong breezes from the NW, ship steering E by S with all drawing sail out, the weather quite smoky, employed in scrimshorning, latter part steered East, so ends Lat 43-20 South
Long 138-50 West

Monday Dec 22nd

All of this day moderate breeze from the NW, the middle and latter part thick fog, ship steering East with all drawing sail set, employed in repairing old sails and scrimshorning, nothing in sight, rather dull whaling ground, so ends

No Obs

Ship Sam Robertson bound
Wednesday Dec 24th

The last two days light winds from the NNE with
breezy weather, ship heading East with all sail
out, employed in making Gaskets, nothing in sight
so ends, killed six ducks No Observation

Thursday Dec 25

All of this day moderate breezes from the NE
with cloudy weather, ship on the Eastern tack with
all sail out, employed in making Gaskets, nothing
in sight, so ends Lat 49-02

Long 127, West

Friday Dec 26th

All of this day strong breezes from the ENE
with thick rainy weather, ship on the Northern
tack under easy sail. latter part killed two Hogs
so ends the day No Obs

Saturday Dec 27th

All of this day strong winds from the NNE
with thick fog. ship under easy sail on the
Eastern tack, so ends No Obs

Sunday Dec 28th

All of this day moderate breezes from the NNW
ship under all sail steering ENE the weather
thick and hazy, employed in scrimshanking so ends
No Obs

Monday Dec 29th

All of this day light winds from the NNE, most
of the time thick and rainy, ship steering East
with all sail out, so ends Lat 49-02

Long 121-06 West

for Cape Horn, direct,

Tuesday Dec 20th

The fore and middle part of this day light airs from the North with fog, light up occasionally, latter part wind hauled to the S.W. with rain, set the Top mast Studding sail, steered E.N.E. broke out for meat and butter
So ends

Wednesday Dec 21st

The fore and middle part of this day strong winds from the South, with cloudy weather, ship steering N.E. by E. hoisted the Topmast Studding sail to pieces, latter part more moderate with wind S.W., set another Studding sail
So ends the Year of 1851

Lat 48-26 South

Long 115-25 West

Thursday Jan 1st 1852

All of this day moderate breezes from the S.W. with smoky weather, steering N.E. by E. with all sail out, employed in breaking out water and making Black Stands. So ends

Saturday Jan 3rd

The last two days light winds from the S.W. with smoky weather, ship steering to the Eastward sent up Main Royal Yard and sail, employed in scrimshorning, killed two Hogs Lat by D.R. 47-20 South
Long 106-10 West

Sunday Jan 4th

This day light winds from the W.N.W. with cloudy weather, ship steering S.P.E. employed in rigging out Studding on both sides below and aloft.
So ends

No Observations

Ship Sam Robertson Making

Monday Jan 5th

The fore and middle part of this day fine breezes from the N.E. with pleasant weather, ship steering E by S with all sail out, carried away the Foremast Studding sail boom, and sent up another, employed in making spun yarn, latter part, rainy. So ends

Lat 48:16 South

Long 100:26 W

Wednesday Jan 7th

The last two days moderate wind from the West with thick rainy weather, ship steering E by S with all drawing sail set

Lat by DR 50:00

Long 92:25 West

Thursday Jan 8th

The fore part of this day the wind hauled to the Southward and blowed quite strong, took in Top Gallant sails, middle more moderate latter part wind hauled to the Westward made all sail, ship steering East, employed in making a studding sail yard, the weather quite pleasant, killed two Ducks. So ends

Lat by Account 52:27

Long --- 90:45 W

Friday Jan 9th

All of this day strong winds from the West with a few heavy squalls occasionally, ship with all sail out, steering E by S

Lat 53:31 South

Long 85:45 West

Passage for Cape Horn - 1852

Saturday Jan 10th

The fore part of this day wind hauled to the South and moderated down, middle and latter part the same, steering E & N, broke out for meat

Lat 55-31 South

Long 82-14 West

Sunday Jan 11th

All of this day strong winds from the South ship steering East with all sail out, passed a ship in the morning steering to the Westward saw a plenty of Porpoises and catches one latter part spoke the ship Bremen of N.B. four months out, went on board and got some papers, sund

Lat 55-42

Long 77-35

Monday Jan 12th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the Westward with rainy weather ship with all sail out, middle part wind hauled to the SSW latter part strong gales, closed reefed the Topsails and took in the Bow Boat, saw two Barks heading to the Westward, ship steering E by S

Lat 57-00 South

Long 83-31 West

Tuesday Jan 13th

The fore part of this day moderated down, with the wind to the South, made all sail and steered E & N saw two sails, sent down the Mizen Top gallant sail and sent up a new one, latter part wind light from S.E. kept of N.E. so ended

Lat 57-36 S

Long 80-19 West

Ship Sam Robertson on

Wednesday Jan 14th 1852
The fore and middle part of this day light airs from the S E ship with all sail out, steering N E. employed in breaking out the after hatch to take account of provisions. latter part wind hauled to the N W, and commenced raining, saw two ships, exchanged signals with one. so ends

Lat 57-05, S Long 67-20 W

Friday Jan 16th

All of this day strong breezes from the S W with pleasant weather, ship steering N by E. employed in drying and stowing away studding sails. sent down the main Royal Yard, and culling over Potatoes, saw a plenty of Porpoises and two fin Backs

Lat 54-45, South

Long 59-54, West

Sunday Jan 18th

The fore and middle part of this day strong winds from the N W with rain. ship on the Northern tack under easy sail, latter part wind hauled to the S W and cleared of quite pleasant. made sail and steered N W. so ends

Lat 51-42 South

Long 56-00 West

Tuesday Jan 20th

All of this day light winds from the S W with fog squalls. ship steering N W by N employed in making rathing stuff and gaskets nothing in sight so ends the day

Lat 47-55 South

her Passage home. 1852

Wednesday Jan 21st

The fore and middle part of this day calm, employed on rigging. latter part light breeze from the N.W. ship on the Northern tack. at sun down shortened sail, and set greater watches. so end

Lat 42-05 South

Sunday Jan 25th

Nothing transpired of importance since last date had light variable winds and calms, ship cruising hereabouts, saw a few fin backs, in hopes of seeing sperm Whales before long. to day the weather quite pleasant. latter part shortened sail and set the watch. so end

Lat 43-47 South

Long 55-10 West

Monday Jan 26th

Commenced with moderate breezes from the North called all hands at daylight and made sail. and broke out for water. middle part blowed quite strong with thunder, Lightning and rain. shortened sail. latter part strong gales. hove to under close reef Main Top sail heading E.N.E. set the watch, so end with a continual roar of Thunder and Lightning and rain

Tuesday Jan 27th

All of this day strong gales from the North with thick weather, ship laying to under close reefed Main Top sail on the Eastern tack. so end

Wednesday Jan 28th

The fore part of this day wind hauled to the S.W. and blowed heavy. Thence away the S. Topmast staysail continue to blow heavy throughout the day. with frequent rain squalls.

Ship Sam Robertson

Thursday Jan 29th

The fore part of this day the gale broke and blowed with less violence, the wind S.W. kept the ship of North under close reef main topsail, middle part, more moderate set the Foresail, bent a new Topmast, staysail latter part the weather much the same

Lat 42: 58 South

Friday Jan 30th

All of this day light wind from the Northward spoke and gamed with bark Antelope of Newport 64 days out

Lat 41: 58 South

Long 145: 5, 20 West

Saturday Jan 31st

All of this day strong breezes from the North ship on the Eastern tack, middle part saw a school of Sperm Whales. lowered and chased, L Boat got fast to a large one and drewed, chase till sunset come aboard and give them up. Moved to the Eastward under easy sail. So ends this day

Lat 41: 58 South

Sunday Feb 1st

Strong winds from the N to NW. latter part a heavy Thunder Storm with a continual flash of Lightning took in Fore and Mizen topsail

Lat 40: 21 South

Wednesday Feb 3rd

All of this day strong gales from the NW, middle part a thunder storm, latter part cleared of, parted the bobstay, took in the Fore topsail, ship steering N.E. under double reef main topsail and Foresail So ends

bound home

1852

Thursday Feb 5th

The fore and middle part of this day strong breezes from the WNW ship steering NE under double reef Topsail. repaired the fore stay and made new main Topsails lifts, latter part more moderate, set whole Topsails and Lib and luffed to the wind Lat 37-41 South Long 48-02 West

Monday Feb 9th

Nothing transpired of importance since last date, ship cruising hereabouts. seen nothing the weather very changable, thunder storms, gales, thick fogs and calms, the wind to the Northward most of the time Lat 35,01 South Long 45-20 West

Wednesday Feb 11th

All of this day light baffling winds, ship cruising saw a school of Grampuses and a squid. the watch employed in fitting rigging, yesterday strong wind from the NW, saw nothing Lat 34.06 South

Thursday Feb 12th

All of this day fine breezes from the North with pleasant weather, saw three ships, spoke the Constitution of Nantucket, sold her five bbls of Pork, latter part shortened sail and set the watch Lat 33,54 South

Friday Feb 13th

All of this day light wind from the NE with thick rainy weather, ship steering SW saw nothing latter part shortened sail and came to the wind. set the watch seen

Ship Sam Robertson on

Monday Feb 16th

All of this day moderate winds from the NE with pleasant weather. Ship cruising. Saw nothing. Yesterday and day before strong wind employed on the rigging. Latter part shortened sail so end

Lat 35:27 South
Long 48:27 West

Tuesday Feb 17th

The fore part of this day strong gales from North with a heavy Thunder Shower. Ship laying under close reef Main Topsail. middle part more moderate set Double reef Topsail and Foresail. Latter part wind hauled to the West and blowed on quite strong kept the ship NE. stood whole watches so end.

Lat 36:41. South
Long 48:09 West

Wednesday Feb 18th

Continues to blow heavy from the W S W Ship steering NE under Double reef Fore and Main Topsail. shipped a sea and took away the Waist Boat and Davits and Craft. took the Bow Boat in on deck. latter part more moderate. set Main Top gallant sail. broke out meat and Pickles. killed two Ducks. so end

Lat 35:09, S Long 44:09 W

Thursday Feb 19th

The fore part of this day the wind light from the S W. middle part calm. latter part light breeze from the NE. ship on the Northern tack, employed in making new davits for the Waist Boat. put the Bow Boat out on the cranes. broke out for bread and killed a Hogg. so end

her Papage home, 1852

Saturday Feb 21st

All of this day Strong wind from the NNE with thick weather and frequent rain squalls ship under double reef Topsails, Courses and Jib yesterday the weather much the same, steering NE. so end

Monday Feb 23rd

All of this day light airs from the South with pleasant weather, ship with all sail out steering NE by E, employed in Blacksmithing, breaking out Bread and water, nothing in sight

Lat 30:30 South. Long 36:58 West

Thursday Feb 26th

All of this day light airs from the NE with pleasant weather, ship on the Northern tack with all sail out, employed in fitting rigging, yesterday strong winds from the SE, nothing in sight.

Lat 25:10 South

Long 35:01 West

Friday Feb 27th

This day light breezes from the North, ship on the Eastern tack, employed fitting rigging, nothing in sight, so end

Lat 24:20 South

Saturday Feb 28th

All of this day moderate winds from the NNE, fore part of the day ship on the Western tack, middle part tacked ship and stowed to the Eastern, employed in fitting rigging, saw a Brig standing to the Eastern so end

Lat 23:45 S

Long 35:20 West

Ship Sam Robertson

Monday March 2nd

The fore and middle part of this day light winds from the North, ship on the Eastern tack, with all sail out, latter part calm employed in fitting rigging, two ships in sight. so end
Lat 23: 50 South
Long 32: 41 West

Tuesday March 2nd

All of this day light winds from the E to N E ship on the Northern tack, all hands employed in breaking out Bone and drying it, and scraping rust of the chain plates, saw two sails
so end
Lat 22: 50 South
Long 33: 25 West

Wednesday March 3rd

All of this day light variable wind, ship working to the Northern, all hands employed fitting rigging, bundling Bone and scraping iron work, nothing in sight so end
Lat 22: 04 South

Thursday March 4th

All of this day light air from the Eastern ship on the Northern tack, watch employed in washing ship outside, put a new Boat out on the Stacboard Cranes, nothing in sight. so end
Lat 21: 30 South

Friday March 5th

All of this day light wind from the Eastern ship, steering N E with all drawing sail out employed in fitting rigging and painting the Chain plates red so end
Lat 19: 50 South
Long 33: 26 West

on her Passage to Fair Haven

Saturday March 6th 1852

Commences with strong breezes from the E. & S. E. ship steering N. & E. at 3 A.M. a squall struck us and carried away Jib Boom, got it in on deck and fished it, got through at 5 P.M. and got it pointed out through the cap, the latter part of the day calm, had frequent rain squalls through the day so ends
Lat 17-50 Long 44

Sunday March 7th

The fore and middle part of this day strong whole topsail breeze from the E. ship steering N. & E. all hands employed in rigging out the Jib boom fly Jib boom and sails, and breaking out water, latter part of the day more moderate made all sail, two sails in sight

Lat 16-40 Long 33-09 West

Monday March 8

All of this day strong whole sail breezes from the Eastward, ship steering N. & E. employed in rattring down rigging, saw a Brig standing to the Northward.

Lat 14-11 Long 32-50 West

Tuesday March 9th

The fore part of this day strong winds from the Eastward with rain squalls, ship steering N. & E. middle part more moderate, wind hauled to the S. E. set the topmast shudding sail, watch employed in rattring down the rigging latter part the weather quite pleasant so ends

Lat 11-25 S Long 32-30

Ship Sam Robertson on

Wednesday March 10th

All of this day pleasant breezes from the E S E. the fore part of the day had a few light rain squalls. sent up Main Royal Yard and sail, and Main Top Gallant studding sail, ship steering North, watch employed in tarring down the rigging. Lat 8:32 South

Long 32:32 West

Thursday March 11th

All of this day light winds from the E S E, ship steering N N E with all drawing sail out, the watch employed in tarring rigging and painting ship inside, latter part saw a Brig standing to the South so end. the day Lat 6:27 South

Long 32:24 West

Friday March 12th

All of this day pleasant breezes from the S E the fore and middle part of the day steered N N E. latter part kept of N by W, ship with all drawing sail out, all hands employed through the day in painting ship inside and tarring down the rigging, saw a ship standing to the Southward. Lat 4:08 South

Long 32:20 West

Saturday 13th

Commences with light breezes from the S P E all hands employed in painting ship inside and tarring rigging, got through at 3 P.M. at 4 P.M. the wind come out from the N E with rain squalls took in studding sails and braced the yard, ship steering N N W Lat 2:18 South

her Passage to Fair Haven, 1852

Sunday March 14th

The fore part of this day light airs from the NE middle and latter part fine breeze from the SE set all Drawing sail, steering N by W

Lat 1-16 South
Long 23-32 West

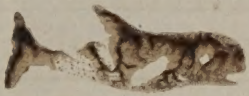
Monday 15th

All of this day light breezes from the SE with pleasant weather, ship steering NNW with all Drawing sail out, the watch employed in painting outside, nothing in sight
So ends

Lat 00-45 North
Long 34-14 West

Tuesday 16th

The fore and middle part of this day light variable winds, with frequent rain squalls, latter part strong breezes from the West, so ends



Wednesday 17th

The fore and middle part of this day light variable winds with continual rain showers, latter part cleared off, wind came out NE, saw a school of Black Fish lowered and chased, the L Boat got one and the W Boat one and the B Boat got a Shark, took them along side at 6 PM and hoisted them in and steered of NNW, with all Drawing sail out
So ends the day

Lat 2-35 North

Ship Sam Robertson

Thursday March 18th

All of this Day fine breeze from the NE with pleasant weather. Ship steering NNW with all drawing sail out. the watch employed in various duties about the ship. nothing in sight. so ends

Lat 3-42 North

Long- 37-24 West

Friday 19th

All of this Day strong winds from the NE ship steering NW by N with all drawing sail out. employed in boiling out Black Fish. nothing in sight

Lat 6-00 N

Long 37-29 West



Saturday 20th

All of this Day light winds from the NE ship steering NW by W with all drawing sail out. latter part saw a school of Black Fish, lowered and chased, the S Boat got one, the W. Boat fastened and drawn, employed through the Day breaking out water and doing other small jobs about the ship.

Lat 8-05 N

Long 47-04, West

Sunday 21st

All of this Day light winds from the NNE ship heading NW with all drawing sail out. saw a few fin backs a jumper and a barrel and a plenty of Dolphin. and caught one

Lat 9-50 N

Long 43-03. West

Bound to Fair Haven 1852

Monday March 22nd

The fore and middle part of this day light
winds from the N. latter part hauled to the
NE, set Topmast and Top gallant Studding
sail. steering NW by W, employed through the
day boiling Black Fish, painting and lashing
up spare spars
Lat 10-59 North,
Long 44-39 West

Tuesday 23rd

The fore and middle part of this day
light winds from the NE. ship steering NW
by N. with all drawing sail out. employed
in making a deep sea line, latter part of
the day strong breeze
Lat 13-11 North
Long 46-17 West

Wednesday 24th

The fore and middle part of this day strong
winds from the NE, latter part hauled to
the ESE, ship steering NW with all
sail out. saw four sails steering to the
WNW, exchanged signals and Longitude with
a French Bark. so end
Lat 15-22, N.
Long 48-16 West

Thursday 25th

All of this day fine breezes from the Eastward
ship steering NW with all drawing sail out
employed in painting chain plates, saw
a plenty of gulf weed. latter part had
a light rain squall. so end
Lat 18-17 North
Long 49-30

Ship Sam Robertson, bound

Friday 26th

All of this day light winds from the East ship steering N W with all drawing sail out, nothing of importance going on. Saw a plenty of Gulf ween

Lat 18. 56 N

Long by Chron 51. 21

Long by Lunar 51. 11, W

Saturday March 27th

The fore and middle part of this day light airs from the N E. ship steering N W with all drawing sail out, employed in Painting ship outside, latter part of the wind light from the Westward. so ends

Lat 19 = 38 N

Long 51 = 30 West

Sunday March 28th

This day light variable winds ship steering N W, saw a Hump Back, called all hands and got the Boats ready for chase. thought it to be a Sperm Whale at first sight, the Dog Tiger had four fits during the day, so ends

Lat 20 = 29 North

Long 52 = 30 = West

Monday March 29th

The fore and middle part of this day light airs from the Eastward, ship steering N W, with all drawing sail out. watch employed in various duties, saw one Hump Back. latter part of the day calmy

Lat 21 = 07 North

Long by Chron, 53 = 29, West

Long by Lunar 53 = 45, West

to Fair Haven, Mass. 1852

Tuesday March 30th

All of this day light variable winds from the NE to West, ship steering to the North employed doing small jobs at Painting, and turning belaying Pins, nothing in sight

Lat 21-45 North

Wednesday 31st

The fore and middle part of this day light winds from the NW, latter part quite a strong breeze. Ship on the Northern tack, nothing of importance going on, killed a small Pig and got a few more Left

Lat 22-31 N

Long 53-23 W

Thursday April 1st

All of this day strong breezes, from the West the fore part of the day, middle part from NW, latter part NNE, course NW by W. part of the time under Topsails and part with all sail out, employed in breaking out for water,

Lat 24-09 N

Long 53-54 West

Friday April 2nd

All of this day light winds from the Eastward ship steering NW by W with all sail out nothing in sight. latter part of the day killed a Hog, nothing else of importance going on. so ends

Lat 24-35 North

Long 55-30 West

Ship Samuel Robertson

Sunday April 1th 1852

The fore part of this day light wind from West, middle part wind hauled out to the NNW, with a squall of rain, latter part fine breeze with pleasant weather, ship heading West with all drawing sail out, course NW, yesterday had light variable wind with pleasant weather, caught a dolphin, the Captain and Mate amusing themselves shooting to marks with fowling pieces, nothing in sight

Lat 26-18 North

Long 56-42 West



Monday 2th

The fore part of this day fine breeze from the NNE, steering NW with all sail out, shot the dog Tiger and hove him overboard, had been subject to fits for about two weeks which kept him in misery most of the time, he was a very good and valuable dog and was a great favorite with nearly all hands and we all felt his loss, middle part of the day calm, saw a school of Black Fish, lowered and chased and the S Boat got one, latter part of the day had light airs from the SW, so end

Tuesday 3th

All of this day light wind from the SW ship steering NW by W with all drawing sail out, employed in boiling B. Fish nothing in sight, so ends

Lat 26-53 North

Long 58-53 West

on her Passage to Fair Haven

Wednesday April 8th

The fore and middle part of this day strong
top gallant breeze from the SW, ship steering
NW by W, latter part wind come out from
NNW with rain squall; tacked ship and stood
to the westward, saw a steam ship and bark
standing to the Eastward, so end

Lat by Account 28-10 N

Long - d - do - 61-00 W

Thursday 8th

The fore and middle part of this day light
winds from the NNW, employed in setting
up head rigging, latter part fine breeze from
SE, set studding sails and steered NW by W
boarded the Brig Exton of Baltimore bound to
Barbadoes with a load of Horses, got a few papers
saw a bark steering to the Southward, so end

Lat 28-19 North

Long 62-10 West

Friday April 9th

Commences with strong breezes from the SSE
with rain, ship with all drawing sail out steering
NW by W, middle part wind hauled to the SW
clearer of quite pleasant, employed in making a
Log line, latter part had a heavy thunder squall
from the NW, took in light sails and stowed
down topsails, it lasted about one hour and
the wind hauled back to SW, and moderated down
some, and continued to rain, made sail and
stood on our course, killed two Pigeons so end

Lat 29-31 North

Long 64-02 West

Ship Sam Robertson bound

Saturday April 10th

All of this day fine whole sail breeze from the NW with pleasant weather, ship on the western tack, saw three Briggs heading to the Southward, latter part killed two Pigs, so ends the day, Lat 29-54, North
Long 65-46, West

Sunday - 11th

The fore part of this day light wind from the N, ship on the western tack, middle and latter part calm nothing in sight

Lat 30-01, N
Long 67-15 West

Monday 12th

The fore part of this day calm, middle part light airs springing up from the South, set Studding sails below and aloft. employed in breaking out water and meat, latter fine breeze ship going 8 knot by log, steering NW by W strong current setting to the Eastward, saw two sails.

Lat 30-28, North.
Long 65-52 West

Tuesday 13th

The fore part of this day fine breeze from the South, ship steering NW by W. middle part hauled to the LW, with rain and blow on girts strong put her under double reef Topsails, latter part hauled to the west and secured of, ship steering N, blowing a moderate gale, sent down main log yard killed a Hare, saw two sails steering South

Lat 32-20 North
Long 67-52 West

to Fair Haver, Mass 1852

Wednesday April 14th

Commences with strong gales from the NW
shortened sail to doubled reef main topsail
and foresail. Ship on the Northern tack, saw
two ships and a Brig. latter part set close
reef fore topsail

Lat 33-54, North

Long 67-08, West

Thursday 15th

The fore part of this day moderated down nearly
calm. made all sail, middle part a breeze sprung
up from the South and blowed on quite strong
ship steering NW by W. sprung the head of the
fore topmast, took in the jib and fore topsail
mizen topsail and main top gallant sail, latter part
blowed on quite heavy, with thick weather, hove
ship too on the Western tack under close reef
main topsail, and fore topmast staysail, sent
down the fore top gallant yard, saw four sails
during the day

Lat by account 34-30, North

Long - do - do - 68-00, West

Friday 16th

The the fore part of this day moderated down
and the wind hove out to the NW, with
pleasant weather, middle and latter part blowed quite
strong. Ship on the Western tack under short sail
all hands employed through the day, sent down
the fore topmast, and carried away the head of the
main top gallant mast getting it down, made a
new fore topmast, sent it up and crossed the
topsail yard, so end this days work.

Lat 35-04, North

Long 68-40

Ship Sam Robertson

Saturday April 17th

The fore and middle part of this day calm
all hands employed, sent down the main
top gallant Mast, and sent up the Fore
top gallant Mast in its place, spliced
the old one and sent it up forward
sent up yards and set up rigging, got
all through at 5 P.M., and made all sail
a light breeze springing up from the E.S.E.,
steering N.W. by N. S. and the day

Lat 34=50 North

Long 69=14 West

Sunday 18th

The fore and middle part of this day strong
wind from the S.E. with rain, ship
steering N.W. with all drawing sail out
latter part wind hauled to the East and
blow quite heavy, and a heavy sea on,
shortened sail to double reef, main and Fore
Topsail and Foresail, took the Bow Boat in
on the deck, got in the gulf at 12, All

Lat 36=18, North,

Long 70=58, West,

Monday 19th

The fore part of this day more moderate
set whole Topsails, steering North, middle
part nearly calm, a heavy swell running,
tore down the try works, lashed down the
Pots and spare spars and cleared up decks, saw
two ships, latter part breeze springing up from
the E.N.E., made all sail, steering North,
killed the last Hogg, Lat 38=35-N. Long 71=22

bound to Fair Haven, 1852

Tuesday April 20th

The fore part of this day wind hauled to the West, with rain, ship steering North middle part wind South, with rain squall latter part hauled to the Eastward with smoky weather, saw a number of vessels bound to the Southward, No Obs, Lat by D R, 39-30 N

Wednesday 21st

Commences with strong gales from the N E with hail and rain, called all hands and shortened sail to reefed Foresail and close reefed Main Tapsail and hove to on the Lanthorn tack, sounded and got bottom in fifty fathoms of water, middle part of the day wind hauled to the Southward and blowed quite heavy, the weather thick and rainy, wore ship, and stood to the Eastward, latter part wind hauled to SW and moderated some, set close reef Fore and Mizzen Tapsail, spoke ship Emma C Jones of N B, wore ship and stood to the Eastward

Lat 40-21 North

Long 72-21 West

Thursday 22nd

All of this day fine winds from the SW with pleasant weather ship steering North saw Block Island at 9 AM bearing NW, at 12 AM kept of NE, at 2 PM took a Pilot, got the anchors of the Boat and sent up the sky sail poles, at 4 PM came to anchor at 6 PM of Clocks point light and furled sails,

Names of Ships Wrecked to the
Northard of Beherings Islands from
the month of April to August. 1851

Ships, New Bedford of		New Bedford
"	Solomon Saltus ---	Fall River
"	Asa ---	Haave --- France
"	Cosmopolite ---	Haave ---
"	Mary Mitchel ---	St. Francisco
"	Armata ---	New London
"	Arabela ---	New Bedford
"	Henry Thomson ---	New London
"	Globe ---	New Bedford
"	America ---	New Bedford
"	Acushnet ---	Fair Haven
"	Hogwa ---	New Bedford

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